




AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Board of Trustees

FROM: Dr. Christopher B. Roberts, President 

SUBJECT: September 12, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting

Enclosed, please find the materials for the September 12, 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting. The schedule of events for Thursday and Friday is listed below.

Please note that all events will be held at The Hotel at Auburn University & Dixon Conference Center located at 241 South College Street, Auburn, Alabama 36830.

Thursday, September 11, 2025

2:00 p.m.	Workshop	Legacy Ballroom
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Friday, September 12, 2025

8:30 a.m.	Call to Order and Opening Remarks	Legacy Ballroom
8:35 a.m.	Committee Meetings	Legacy Ballroom
9:40 a.m.	Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees	Legacy Ballroom
9:45 a.m.	Proposed Executive Session	Azalea Room
10:45 a.m.	Reconvened Meeting of the Board of Trustees	Legacy Ballroom
11:00 a.m.	Recess Meeting	Legacy Ballroom
Upon Conclusion of the Meeting	Luncheon	Grand Ballroom II

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Jon G. Waggoner, Secretary to the Board of Trustees (w/encl.)
President's Cabinet (w/encl.)

**SCHEDULE AND AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

- I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks | 8:30 a.m.
- II. Committee Meetings | 8:35 a.m.
 - A. Property and Facilities Committee | Chairperson DeMaioribus | 8:35 a.m.

Project Approvals:

- 1. Auburn University Regional Airport Corporate Hangar, Final Approval
(Jim Carroll/Bill Hutto)
- 2. Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility, Final Approval
(Jim Carroll/Susan Hubbard)
- 3. Rural Studio Red Barn, Newbern, Alabama, Renovation and Repairs, Final Approval
(Jim Carroll/Dawn Finley)
- 4. Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement, Project Initiation and Architect Selection
(Jim Carroll/Bobby Woodard)
- 5. Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation, Project Initiation and Architect Selection (Jim Carroll/John Cohen)
- 6. Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Hall, Authority to Execute (Jim Carroll/Bobby Woodard)

Real Estate Approvals:

- 7. Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for Auburn University Forest Lands
(Jim Carroll/Mark Stirling)

Informational Reports:

- 8. Status Updates – *For Information Only* (Jim Carroll)
 - a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater
 - b. Quarterly Report for Projects Costing More than \$500,000 but Less than \$1,000,000 – 3rd Quarter, Fiscal Year 2025
 - c. Project Status Report

B. Academic Affairs Committee | Chairperson Huntley | 9:00 a.m.

1. Proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management (Vini Nathan)
2. Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – *For Information Only* (Vini Nathan)

C. Finance Committee | Chairperson W. Smith | 9:05 a.m.

1. Approval of the FY 2026 Auburn University Budget (Kelli Shomaker)
2. Approval of Tuition and Fees for Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery for 2026-2027 Academic Year (Kelli Shomaker)
3. Approval of Auburn University Housing Main Campus and Auburn University at Montgomery Campus Rates for 2026-2027 Academic Year (Kelli Shomaker)
4. Approval of Auburn University Tiger Dining Rates for 2026-2027 Academic Year (Kelli Shomaker)
5. Approval of Lease and Financing Agreements (Kelli Shomaker)

D. Executive Committee | Chairperson Dumas | 9:30 a.m.

1. Proposed Awards and Namings (Bob Dumas)

E. Trustee Reports | 9:35 a.m.

III. Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees | 9:40 a.m.

IV. Proposed Executive Session | 9:45 a.m.

V. Reconvened Meeting of the Board of Trustees | 10:45 a.m.

1. Approval of the Minutes of the June 6, 2025 Annual Board Meeting
2. AUM Chancellor's Report
3. President's Report
4. Action Items and Committee Meeting Reports

A. Property and Facilities Committee

1. Auburn University Regional Airport Corporate Hangar, Final Approval

2. Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility, Final Approval
3. Rural Studio Red Barn, Newbern, Alabama, Renovation and Repairs, Final Approval
4. Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement, Project Initiation and Architect Selection
5. Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation, Project Initiation and Architect Selection
6. Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Hall, Authority to Execute
7. Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for Auburn University Forest Lands

B. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management

C. Finance Committee

1. Approval of the FY 2026 Auburn University Budget
2. Approval of Tuition and Fees for Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery for 2026-2027 Academic Year
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5. Approval of Lease and Financing Agreements

D. Executive Committee

1. Proposed Awards and Namings

VI. Recess Meeting | 11:00 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

A. Property and Facilities Committee

1. Auburn University Regional Airport Corporate Hangar, Final Approval

Project Summary: The Auburn University Regional Airport proposed the construction of a single-bay corporate hangar, which will include office space, on its east ramp adjacent to Auburn University's Air Transportation Hangar. The project will construct a 14,400 square foot hangar, which includes 2,700 square feet of office space. The project aims to meet the current and increasing demand for such facilities and is expected to generate sufficient revenue for the airport to cover the total cost.

The estimated total project cost of the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project is \$3.9 million. The project will be financed by a combination of state grants and Auburn University Regional Airport funds.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution providing final approval of the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project.

Previous Approvals: At its meeting on February 2, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project and to expedite the design process, approved the recommendation of Barge Design Solutions of Dothan, Alabama, as the engineer for the overall project.

2. Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility, Final Approval

Project Summary: The College of Human Sciences proposed the construction of the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility. This project will enable the College of Human Sciences to co-locate their related disciplines in constructing a 4-story, approximately 138,000 square foot building providing new laboratories, classrooms, offices and common spaces.

The estimated total project cost of the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility project is \$100 million. The project will be financed by a combination of bond funds, gift funds, state funds and General Reserves funds.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution providing final approval of the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility project.

Previous Approvals: At its meeting on November 17, 2023, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution authorizing fundraising and capital project planning in support of project(s) to improve the College of Human Sciences facilities. At its previous meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility and authorized the commencement of the architect selection process. Subsequently, at its meeting on November 15, 2024, the Board of Trustees approved the architect for the project. Simultaneously, at its meeting on November 15, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to rename the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility to the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility.

3. Rural Studio Red Barn, Newbern, Alabama, Renovation and Repairs, Final Approval

Project Summary: The College of Architecture, Design and Construction proposed a comprehensive renovation to the Rural Studio Red Barn located in Newbern, Alabama. The objective of the project is to bring the facility up to current building codes and standards, as well as to provide adequate studio and lecture space for Third Year and Thesis students with a presentation space for guest lecturers and instruction and support spaces.

The estimated total project cost of the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project is \$3.9 million. The project will be financed by the College of Architecture, Design and Construction and the Provost Office.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution providing final approval of the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project.

Previous Approvals: At its meeting on June 7, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project, and at its meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the architect for the project.

4. Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement, Project Initiation and Architect Selection

Project Summary: Student Affairs proposed the renovation of Cambridge Residence Hall. During its meeting on April 3, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the project initiation and the selection of Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the renovation project. Upon analysis and review of short and long-term student housing opportunities associated with Cambridge Residence Hall, in conjunction with potential revenue associated with total replacement, it is recommended that Cambridge Residence Hall be replaced with a new building. This opportunity will provide a long-term solution that supports Auburn University's sustained increase in demand for on-campus living.

The Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement project will demolish the existing building and construct a new residence hall to include over 680 student beds, study and community space, storm shelter, and exterior recreation space.

To facilitate a more timely and efficient design process, the University Architect recommends the previous approval of Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the project.

This project is expected to be financed by Student Affairs.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution to approve the initiation of the Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement project and the selection of Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as project architect.

Previous Approvals: At its meeting on April 3, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation and the selection of Williams Blackstock Architects as the architect for the Cambridge Residence Hall Comprehensive Renovation project.

5. Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation, Project Initiation and Architect Selection

Project Summary: The Athletics Department has proposed the kitchen build-out of the Woltosz Football Performance Center multipurpose room. The Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project will renovate the multi-purpose room and fit-out a new kitchen to support the football program.

To expedite the design process, the University Architect recommends Goodwyn Mills Cawood of Auburn, Alabama, as the project's architect. Goodwyn Mills Cawood was the original architect of record for the facility, and their knowledge will be a significant benefit to this project.

This project is expected to be financed by a combination of Athletics Department and gift funds.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution to approve the initiation of the Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project and the selection of Goodwyn Mills Cawood of Auburn, Alabama, as project architect.

Previous Approvals: None.

6. Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Hall, Authority to Execute

Project Summary: Student Affairs proposes to continue the repair and refurbishment of the Village Residence Halls complex by addressing Magnolia Residence Hall with Phase

V of this project. The work to be performed includes mechanical units' replacement and related maintenance work. The proposed schedule to refurbish Magnolia Residence Hall is to start and complete the work in the summer of 2026.

Phase V of the project is estimated to cost \$3.2 million to be financed by University Housing.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees adopt a resolution authorizing the execution of the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall Project.

Previous Approvals: At its meeting of November 22, 2019, the Board of Trustees approved the Village Residence Halls Repair and Renovation project, and at its previous meeting of November 12, 2021, the Board of Trustees approved the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase I Matthews and Aubie Halls project. At its meeting on September 16, 2022, the Board of Trustees approved Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase II Holloway Residence Hall. Subsequently, at its meeting on August 23, 2023, Phase III Talon Residence Hall was approved for execution following with the Phase IV Plainsman Residence Hall approval at its meeting on September 6, 2024.

7. Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for Auburn University Forest Lands

Project Summary: It is proposed that the Board of Trustees consider approval of the Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for Auburn University owned timberlands. Auburn University owns and manages forest lands across multiple properties totaling approximately 14,522 acres.

Consistent with standing practice, the College of Forestry, Wildlife, and Environment has developed a Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for the 2025-2030 period for the following Auburn University managed Forest properties:

1. Auburn University Forest Lands – 1,135 acres across five properties around the state. (Exhibit 1)
2. Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES) – 400 acres in Lee County (Exhibit 2)
3. Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) – 7,557 acres across 22 research units spread around Alabama (Exhibit 3)
4. Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC) – 5,430 acres in Covington and Escambia County (Exhibit 4)

This plan is submitted for Board of Trustees review and approval to ensure continued sustainable forest management, operational efficiency, and alignment with Auburn University's land stewardship goals.

Requested Action: It is requested that the Board of Trustees approve the Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for 2025-2030 and authorize the President to implement said plans, including the harvesting of timber in areas identified therein, with all timber sales to be conducted in accordance with the bid laws of the State of Alabama and that funds generated from the sale of timber shall be used for forest regeneration, management, education, research, and support of operations of respective property managers of Auburn University, ACES, AAES, and SDFEC timberlands.

Previous Approvals: None.

8. Status Updates – *For Information Only*

- a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater**
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These items are provided *for information only* and do not require a vote.

B. Academic Affairs Committee

1. Proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agriculture Technology Management

The faculty in the Department of Biosystems Engineering are proposing a new master's degree program that offers students advanced coursework and research in agriculture and biological systems, technology management, and applied sciences.

2. Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – *For Information Only*

The following academic items have been approved for implementation by the Provost's Office:

- *Graduate Certificate in Rural Health*, College of Nursing; and
- *Renaming of the Center for Occupational Safety, Ergonomics, and Injury Prevention* as the *Human Systems Integration Center*, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering.

This item is provided *for information only* and does not require a vote.

C. Finance Committee

1. Approval of FY 2026 Auburn University Budget

Time will be allotted for discussion of the Approval of FY 2026 Auburn University Budget.

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5. Approval of Lease and Financing Agreements

Time will be allotted for discussion of the Approval of Lease and Financing Agreements.

D. Executive Committee

1. Proposed Awards and Namings

Time will be allotted for discussion of a list of proposed awards and namings.

**PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE AGENDA
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Committee Chairperson: Mr. Michael DeMaioribus

Faculty Representative: Dr. Lauren Redden, Auburn University (ex-officio, non-voting)

Please Note: All trustees serve on all committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUBURN UNIVERSITY REGIONAL AIRPORT
NEW CORPORATE HANGAR AT EAST RAMP

FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, the Auburn University Regional Airport proposed the construction of a single-bay corporate hangar on its east ramp adjacent to Auburn University's Air Transportation Hangar; and

WHEREAS, this facility is designed to accommodate primarily turbine and jet aircraft to meet the current and increasing demand for such facilities and is expected to generate sufficient revenue for the airport to cover the total cost of the project; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on February 7, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project and adopted a resolution that approved Barge Design Solutions, Inc., as the engineer for the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost of the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project is \$3.9 million, to be financed by a combination of state grant and Auburn University Regional Airport funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy "D-3, Capital Projects Approval," the final approval of the project must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Establish a budget for the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project in the amount of \$3.9 million, to be financed by a combination of state grant and Auburn University Regional Airport funds; and
2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the approved project budget.



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY REGIONAL AIRPORT NEW CORPORATE HANGAR AT
EAST RAMP: FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL**

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that provides final approval of the project. If approved, the resolution would authorize the President to direct Auburn University Facilities Management to complete the project design, solicit bids, and award a construction contract.

Review and Consultation:

The Auburn University Regional Airport proposed the construction of a single-bay corporate hangar, which will include office space, on its east ramp adjacent to Auburn University's Air Transportation Hangar. This facility is designed to accommodate primarily turbine and jet aircraft. The project aims to meet the current and increasing demand for such facilities and is expected to generate sufficient revenue for the airport to cover the total cost of the project.

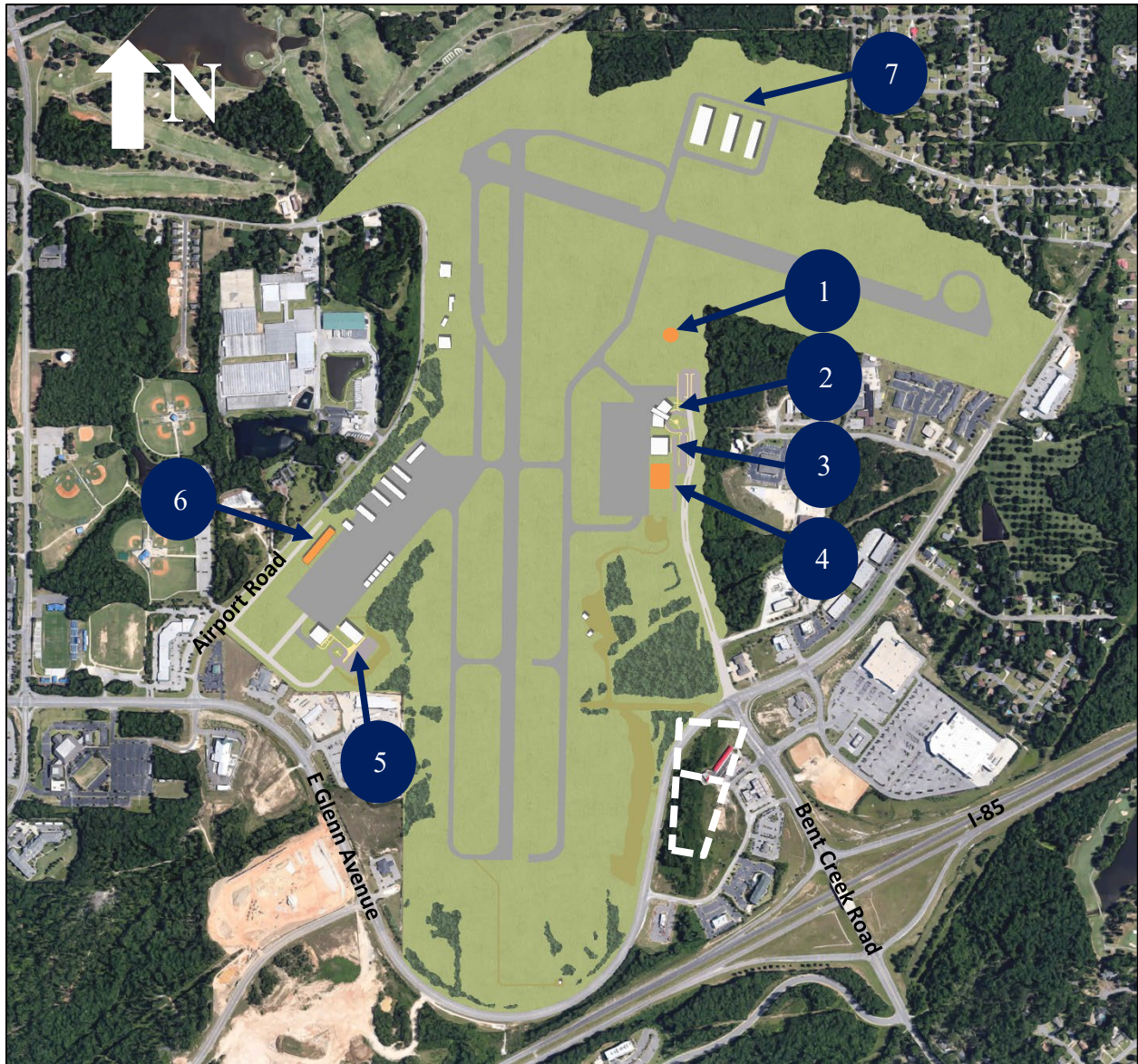
At its previous meeting on February 7, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project, and to expedite the design process, approved the recommendation of Barge Design Solutions of Dothan, Alabama, as the engineer for the overall project.

Since that time, the project team has worked to complete the design for the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project. The proposed project details are provided below:

- Project Location: The new corporate hangar will be located south of the Auburn University Air Transportation building, along Bent Creek Road. See Attachment 1 for the site map of the project location.
- Program Requirements: The project will construct a 14,400 square foot hangar, which includes 2,700 square feet of office space. The exterior facade will complement the adjacent Auburn University Air Transportation building. Program requirements include a large hangar space and office space for building tenants. See Attachment 2 for the renderings of the new hangar.
- Budget: The estimated total project cost is \$3.9 million, to be financed by a combination of state grant and Auburn University Regional Airport funds.

If you concur, it is proposed that a resolution providing final approval for the Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp project be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration at its meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Attachment 1
Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp
Site Map



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| <p>1 Proposed location of new air traffic control tower</p> <p>2 Terminal Building</p> <p>3 Air Transportation Hangar</p> <p>4 Proposed location of new corporate hangar at East Ramp</p> | <p>5 Delta Aviation Building</p> <p>6 Corporate Hangars, South Ramp</p> <p>7 North T-Hangars</p> |
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Attachment 2
Auburn University Regional Airport New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp
Architectural Renderings



East Elevation



West Elevation

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

BARBARA DRUMMOND THORNE
ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH FACILITY

FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, the College of Human Sciences proposed the construction of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility; and

WHEREAS, this new building will provide facilities for their teaching and faculty research components and enable the College of Human Sciences to co-locate their related disciplines from current buildings on campus and provide a newly constructed home for their operations; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on November 17, 2023, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution authorizing fundraising and capital project planning in support of a project(s) to improve the College of Human Sciences facilities; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility, and at its meeting on November 15, 2024, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of Perkins & Will of Atlanta, Georgia, as the architect for the overall project; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on November 14, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to rename the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility to the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost of the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility project is \$100 million, to be financed by a combination of bond funds, gift funds, state funds and General Reserve funds; and


WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the final approval of the project must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Establish a budget for the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility project in the amount of \$100 million, to be financed by a combination of bond funds, gift funds, state funds and General Reserve funds; and
2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the approved project budget.



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President
THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer
FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 
SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
**BARBARA DRUMMOND THORNE ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH FACILITY:
FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL**
DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that provides final approval of the project. If approved, the resolution would authorize the President to direct Auburn University Facilities Management to complete the project design, solicit bids, and award a construction contract.

Review and Consultation:

The College of Human Sciences proposed the construction of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility to provide facilities for their teaching and faculty research components. This project will enable the College of Human Sciences to co-locate their related disciplines from current buildings on campus and provide a newly constructed home for their operations.

At its previous meeting on November 17, 2023, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution authorizing fundraising and capital project planning in support of a project(s) to improve the College of Human Sciences facilities. At its previous meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility and authorized the commencement of the architect selection process. Subsequently, at its meeting on November 15, 2024, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of Perkins & Will of Atlanta, Georgia, as the architect for the project.

Simultaneously, at its previous meeting on November 15, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution to rename the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility to the

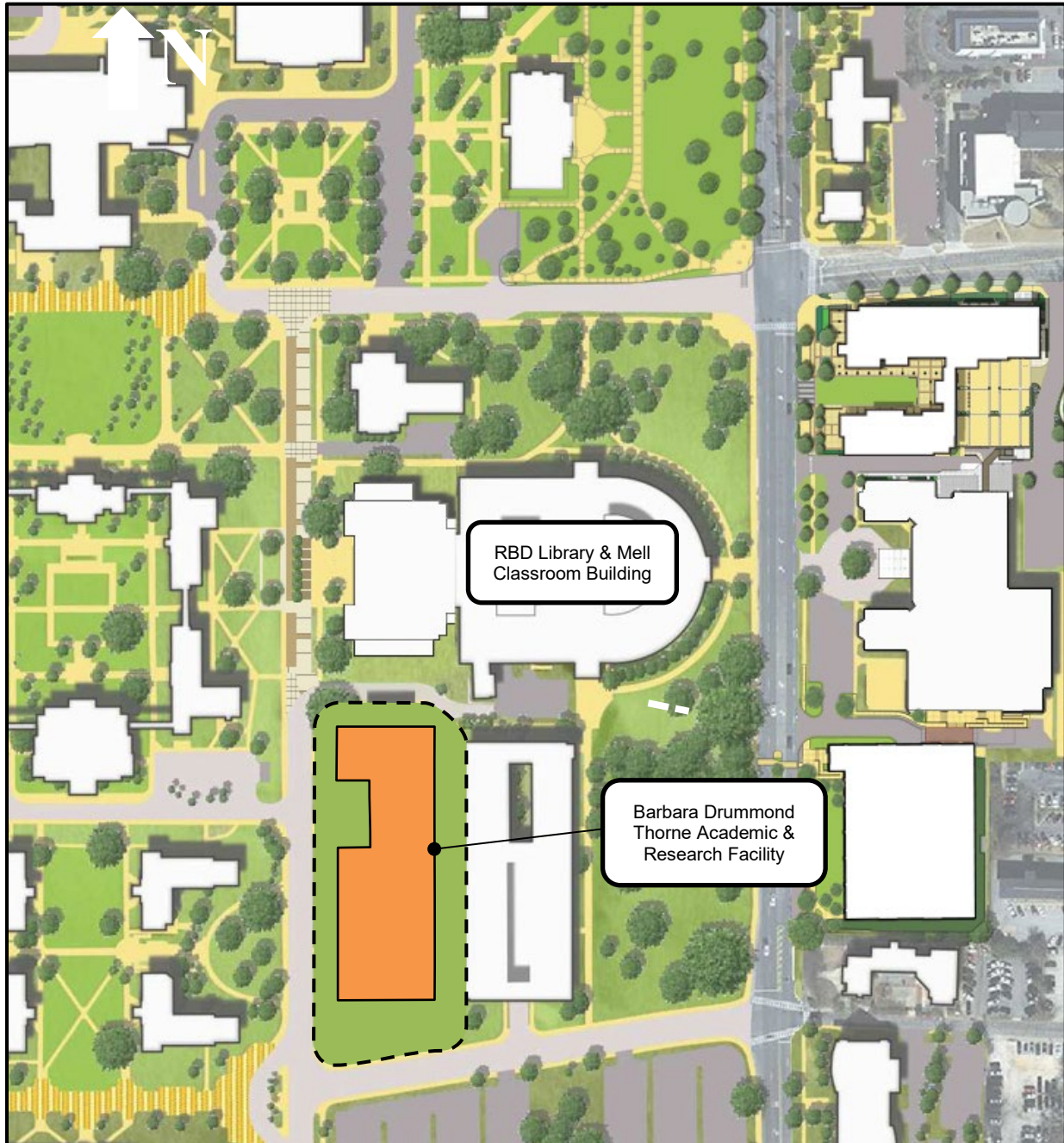
Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility. Based on this renaming, the final project will be referred to as the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility.

Since that time, the project team has worked to complete the design for the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility project. The proposed project details are provided below:

- Project Location: The new Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility will be located at the Northeast corner of Mell Street and Roosevelt Drive. See Attachment 1 for the site map of the project location.
- Program Requirements: The project will construct a 4-story, approximately 138,000 square foot building which will provide new laboratories, classrooms, offices and common spaces for the College of Human Sciences. See Attachment 2 for the renderings of the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility.
- Budget: The estimated total project cost of the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility is estimated to be \$100 million, to be financed by a combination of bond funds, gift funds, state funds and General Reserves funds.
- Image and Character: The University Architect has determined that the proposed Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility design meets the Image and Character Standards of Auburn University. Refer to Attachment 2 for architectural renderings of the project.

If you concur, it is proposed that a resolution providing final approval for the Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility project be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration at its meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Attachment 1
Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility
Site Map



Attachment 2
Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility
Architectural Renderings



Aerial view of west side of building.



Pedestrian view from Quad Drive of main entrance along Mell Street.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

RURAL STUDIO RED BARN, NEWBERN, ALABAMA RENOVATION AND REPAIRS

FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, the College of Architecture, Design, and Construction proposed a comprehensive renovation to the Rural Studio Red Barn located in Newbern, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the object of the renovation project is to bring the facility up to current building codes and standards, as well as to provide adequate studio and lecture space for architecture students enrolled in the Rural Studio program; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on June 7, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project, and at its meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of ArchitectureWorks of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total cost of the project is \$3.9 million, to be financed by the College of Architecture, Design and Construction and the Provost Office funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the final approval of the project must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:


1. Establish a budget for the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project in the amount of \$3.9 million, to be financed by the College of Architecture, Design and Construction and the Provost Office funds; and
2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the approved project budget.



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TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RURAL STUDIO RED BARN, NEWBERN, ALABAMA, RENOVATION AND REPAIRS: FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for consideration of a resolution that provides final approval of the project. If approved, the resolution would authorize the President to direct Auburn University Facilities Management to complete the project design, solicit bids, and award a construction contract.

Review and Consultation:

The College of Architecture, Design, and Construction proposed a comprehensive renovation to the Rural Studio Red Barn located in Newbern, Alabama. The renovation will encompass structural repairs, enhancements to life-safety systems and accessibility, and alterations to the space to accommodate the current requirements of the program. The objective of the project is to bring the facility up to current building codes and standards, as well as to provide adequate studio and lecture space for architecture students enrolled in the Rural Studio program.

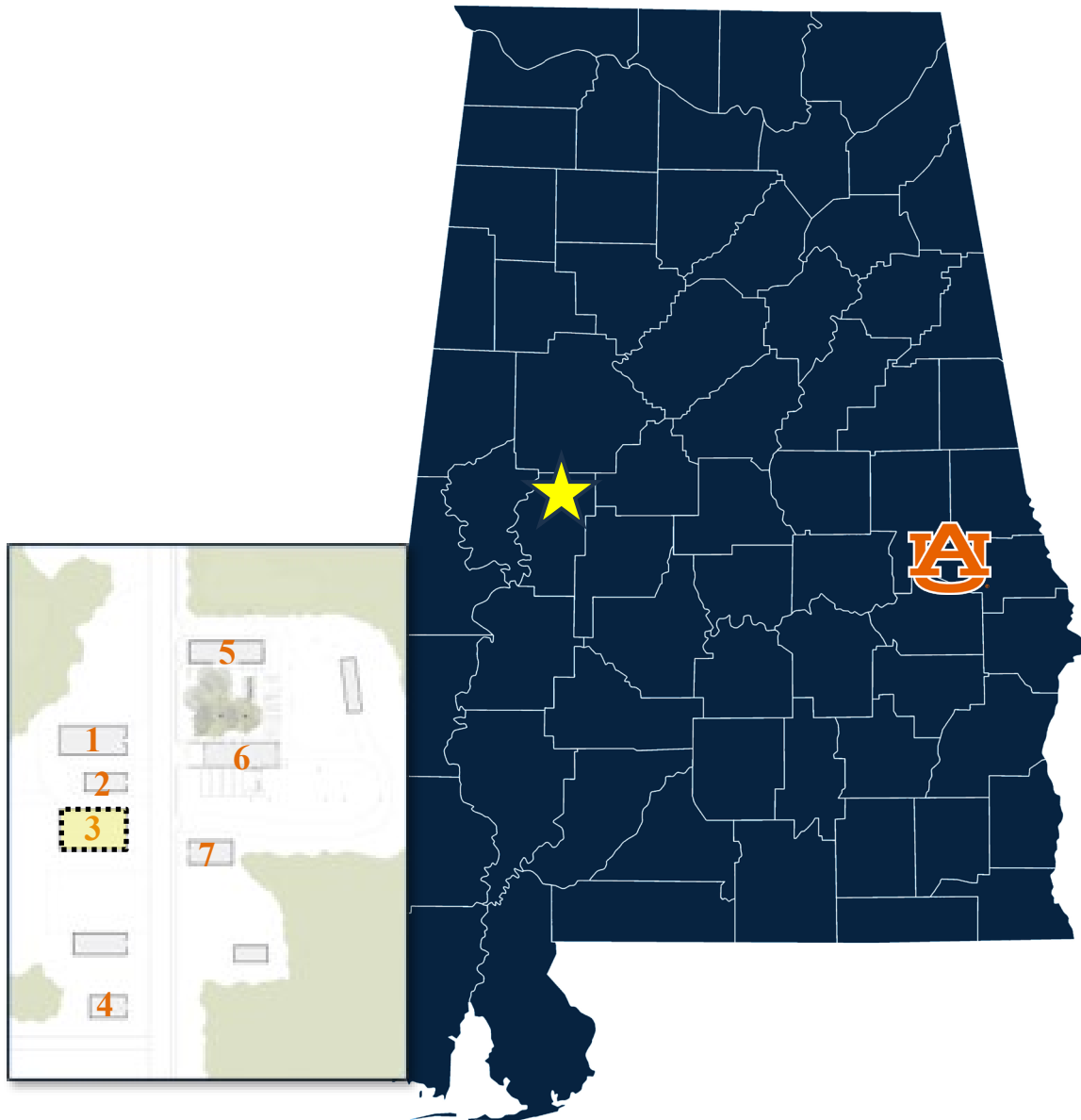
At its previous meeting on June 7, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project, and at its meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation of the firm ArchitectureWorks of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the project.

Since that time, the project team has worked to complete the design for the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project. The proposed project details are provided below:

- Project Location: The Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project will be located in Newbern, Alabama, on Alabama Highway 61, near the intersection of School Street. See Attachment 1 for the site location of the Red Barn.
- Program Requirements: The 4,548 square foot project will provide improved studio spaces for Third Year and Thesis students, presentation space for guest lecturers and instruction, and support spaces. See Attachment 2 for renderings of the Red Barn.
- Budget: The estimated total project cost is \$3.9 million, to be financed by the College of Architecture, Design and Construction and the Provost Office.

If you concur, it is proposed that a resolution providing final approval for the Rural Studio Red Barn Renovation and Repairs project be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration at its meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Attachment 1
Rural Studio Red Barn, Newbern, Alabama
Site Map



LEGEND

1. Newbern Mercantile
2. Newbern Post Office
3. Rural Studio Red Barn
4. Newbern Library
5. Newbern Townhall
6. Newbern Fire Station
7. Rural Studio Shop

Attachment 2
Rural Studio Red Barn, Newbern, Alabama
Architectural Renderings



Exterior – Northeast corner



Exterior – Southwest corner



Interior – Third Year Studio



Interior – Presentation Space

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

CAMBRIDGE RESIDENCE HALL REPLACEMENT

APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND
PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, Student Affairs had proposed the renovation of the Cambridge Residence Hall; and

WHEREAS, upon analysis and review in conjunction with potential revenue associated with total replacement, it is recommended that Cambridge Residence Hall be replaced with a new building; and

WHEREAS, the project will demolish the existing building and construct a new residence hall to maximize the opportunity for student housing; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate an accelerated design process, the University Architect recommends the approval of the firm Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the project; and

WHEREAS, this project will be financed by Student Affairs; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy, “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the initiation of this project and the architect selection must be submitted to the Board, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the initiation of the Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Engage Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

CAMBRIDGE RESIDENCE HALL REPLACEMENT: APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests that the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Cambridge Hall Replacement project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action, which will approve the project's initiation and authorize the selection of the project architect.

Review and Consultation:

Student Affairs proposed the renovation of Cambridge Residence Hall. During its meeting on April 3, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the project initiation and the selection of Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the renovation project. Upon analysis and review of short and long-term student housing opportunities associated with Cambridge Residence Hall, in conjunction with potential revenue associated with total replacement, it is recommended that Cambridge Residence Hall be replaced with a new building. This opportunity will provide a long-term solution that supports Auburn University's sustained increase in demand for on-campus living.

The Cambridge Residence Hall Replacement project will demolish the existing building and construct a new residence hall to include over 680 student beds, study and community space, storm shelter, and exterior recreation space. The new residence hall will maximize the opportunity for student housing in this prime location, providing the safe and convenient setting for students to engage with the heart of the university Campus, the Rane Culinary Arts Center, and the nearby amenities. The proposed demolition is anticipated to start in the spring of 2026 followed by new construction.

See Attachment 1 for a map of the existing campus housing. See Attachment 2 for a site map of the project location.

To facilitate an accelerated design process, the University Architect recommends the previous approval of the firm Williams Blackstock Architects of Birmingham, Alabama, as the architect for the project. Williams Blackstock Architects has designed several Auburn University facilities in recent years and their expertise in residential facilities will be important in the development of the program for this project.

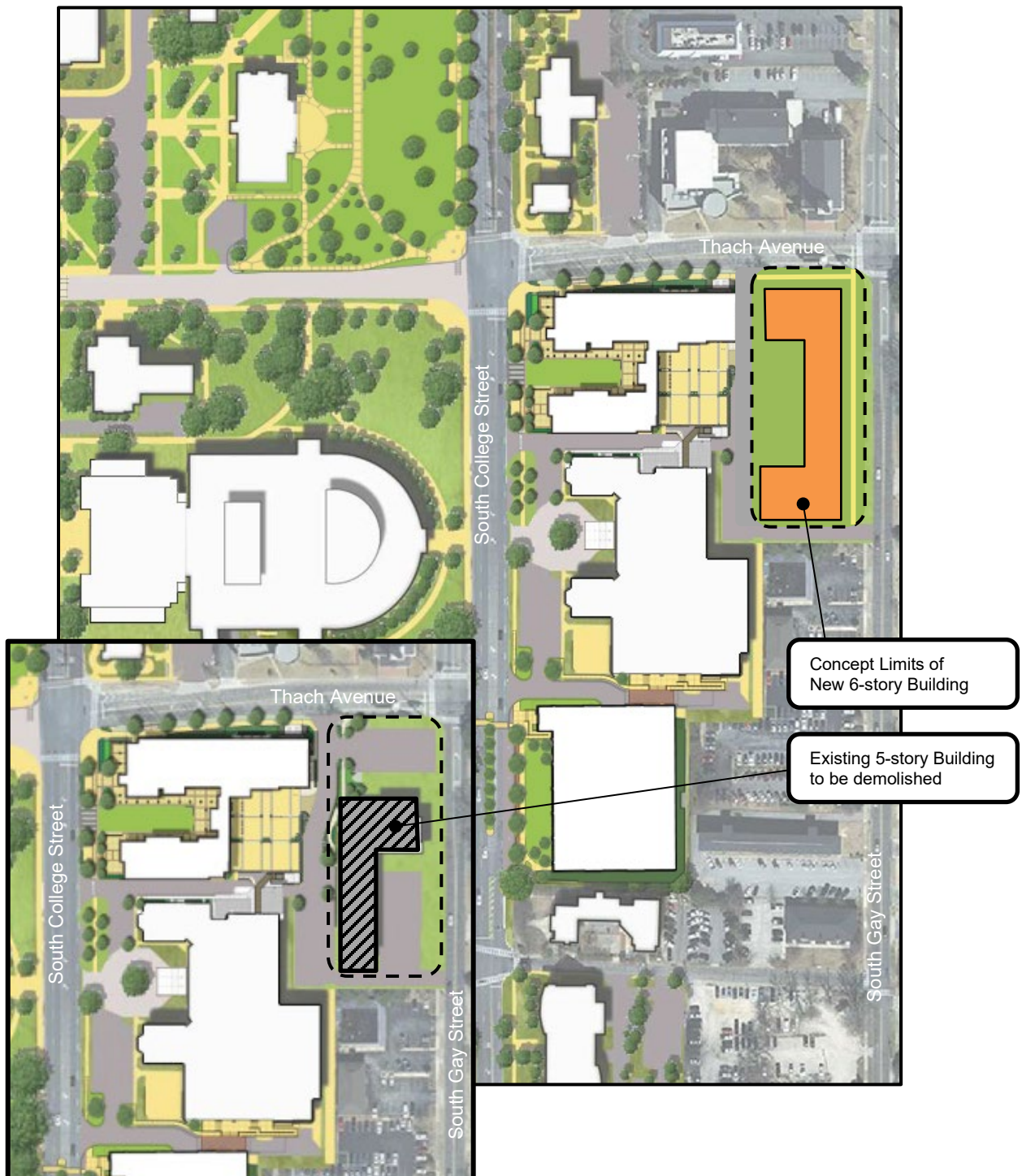
It is anticipated that this new residence hall would be financed by Student Affairs.

It is, therefore, appropriate that a resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees for their consideration to approve the initiation of the Cambridge Hall Replacement project and the selection of Williams Blackstock Architects, of Birmingham, Alabama, as the project architect. If you concur, it is recommended the resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for appropriate review and action at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Attachment 1 On Campus Housing Site Map



Attachment 2
Cambridge Residence Hall
Site Map



PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

WOLTOSZ FOOTBALL PERFORMANCE CENTER KITCHEN RENOVATION

APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND
PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION

WHEREAS, the Athletics Department has proposed the renovation of the Woltosz Football Performance Center; and

WHEREAS, the proposed renovation will renovate the multi-purpose room and fit-out a new kitchen to support the football program; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate an accelerated design process, the University Architect recommends Goodwyn Mills Cawood of Auburn, Alabama, to design the kitchen renovation project; and

WHEREAS, this project will be financed by a combination of gift funds and Tigers Unlimited Foundation (TUF) support; and


WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy, “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the initiation of this project and the architect selection must be submitted to the Board, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the initiation of the Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Engage Goodwyn Mills Cawood of Auburn, Alabama, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

**WOLTOSZ FOOTBALL PERFORMANCE CENTER KITCHEN RENOVATION:
APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND PROJECT ARCHITECT
SELECTION**

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests that the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that the Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action, which will approve the project's initiation and authorize the selection of the project architect.

Review and Consultation:

The Athletics Department has proposed the kitchen build-out of the Woltosz Football Performance Center multipurpose room. The Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project will renovate the multi-purpose room and fit-out a new kitchen to support the football program. See Attachment 1 for a site map of the surrounding Campus Dining locations.

To expedite the design process, the University Architect recommends Goodwyn Mills Cawood of Auburn, Alabama, as the project's architect. Goodwyn Mills Cawood was the original architect of record for the facility, and their knowledge will be a significant benefit to this project.

It is anticipated that the Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project will be financed by a combination of gift funds and Tigers Unlimited Foundation (TUF) support.

It is, therefore, appropriate that a resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees for their consideration to approve the initiation of the Woltosz Football Performance Center Kitchen Renovation project and the selection of Goodwyn Mills Cawood as the project architect. If you concur, it is recommended the resolution be presented to the Board of Trustees, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for appropriate review and action at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Attachment 1 On Campus Dining Site Map



PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

VILLAGE RESIDENCE HALLS REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT: PHASE V
MAGNOLIA RESIDENCE HALL

AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE

WHEREAS, during its meeting on November 22, 2019, the Board of Trustees approved the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment project with the intent to refurbish all the suites in the Village Residence Halls in a phased approach; and

WHEREAS, Student Affairs proposes to continue the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment project by addressing Magnolia Residence Hall with Phase V of the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work for the Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall project calls for replacing the mechanical units and related maintenance work; and

WHEREAS, the schedule for the Magnolia Residence Hall refurbishment is to start and complete the work during the summer of 2026; and


WHEREAS, the Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall project is estimated to cost \$3.2 million to be financed by University Housing; and

WHEREAS, given the level of investment involved in this repair project, it is appropriate that the Board of Trustees authorize the execution of Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall of the Village Residence Hall Repair and Refurbishment project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to execute the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall project.



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President
THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer
FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 
SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
VILLAGE RESIDENCE HALLS REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT: PHASE V
MAGNOLIA RESIDENCE HALL: AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE
DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

It is proposed that the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall project be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for appropriate action that will authorize the execution of the repairs.

Review and Consultation:

During its meeting on November 22, 2019, the Board of Trustees approved the Village Residence Halls Repair and Renovation project with the intent to refurbish all the buildings in the complex in a phased approach. At its November 12, 2021, meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the execution of the initial phase of this project which included interior refurbishment and mechanical repairs for both Matthews and Aubie Residence Halls. Subsequently, at its meeting on September 16, 2022, the Board of Trustees approved Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase II Holloway Residence Hall, and at its meeting on August 23, 2023, Phase III Talon Residence Hall was approved for execution, following with the Phase IV Plainsman Residence Hall approval at its meeting on September 6, 2024. See Attachment 1 for the project phasing diagram.

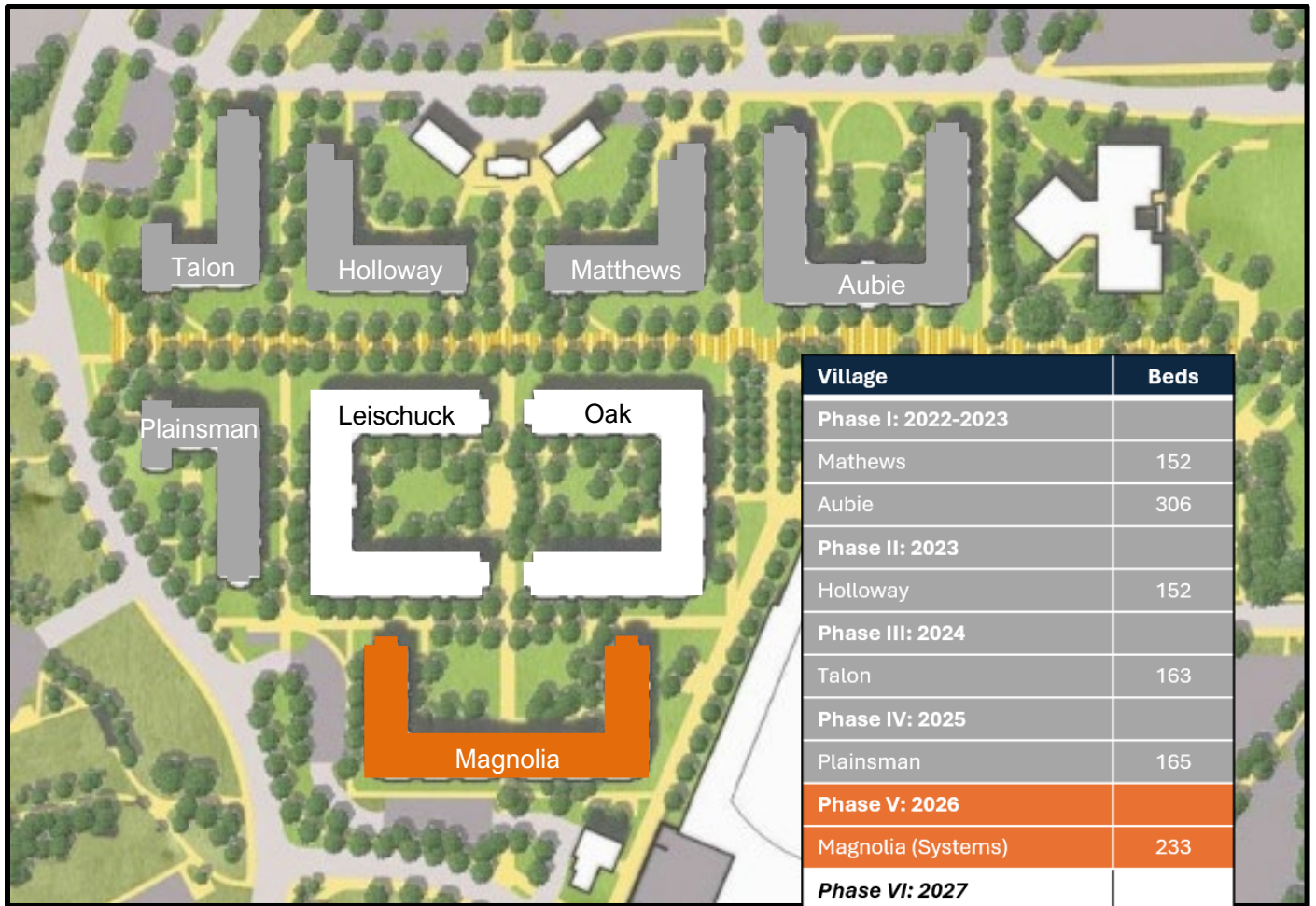
Student Affairs proposes to continue the repair and refurbishment of the Village Residence Halls Complex by addressing Magnolia Residence Hall with Phase V of the overall project. The work to be performed includes mechanical units' replacement and related maintenance work. The proposed schedule to refurbish Magnolia Residence Hall is to start and complete the work during the summer of 2026.

The Phase V project is estimated to cost \$3.2 million to be financed by University Housing.

Since this work consists principally of replacing existing items, the work is categorized as a repair project. As such, it does not meet the University criteria as a capital project. However, due to the magnitude of the cost associated with this project, the Board of Trustees' approval is desired.

If you concur, it is proposed that a resolution, authorizing the execution of the Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment: Phase V Magnolia Residence Hall project be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Attachment 1
Village Residence Halls Repair and Refurbishment
Phasing Map



Village	Beds
Phase I: 2022-2023	
Mathews	152
Aubie	306
Phase II: 2023	
Holloway	152
Phase III: 2024	
Talon	163
Phase IV: 2025	
Plainsman	165
Phase V: 2026	
Magnolia (Systems)	233
Phase VI: 2027	
Magnolia (Interiors)	233
Phase VII: 2028	
Oak (Systems)	251
Phase VIII: 2029	
Oak (Interiors)	251
Phase IX: 2030	
Leischuck (Systems)	251
Phase X: 2031	
Leischuck (Interiors)	251

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

FIVE-YEAR TIMBER HARVEST PLAN FOR
AUBURN UNIVERSITY (2025-2030)

WHEREAS, Auburn University owns and manages forest lands across multiple properties totaling approximately 14,522 acres, including:

1. Auburn University Forest Lands – 1,135 acres across five properties around the state.
2. Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES) – 400 acres in Lee County
3. Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) – 7,557 acres across 22 research units spread around Alabama
4. Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC) – 5,430 acres in Covington and Escambia County

WHEREAS, the College of Forestry, Wildlife, and Environment has been delegated management authority over these properties and employs professional foresters to oversee operations using sustainable forest management principles and practices; and

WHEREAS, the College has prepared a comprehensive Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for 2025–2030 for each property, based on sound forestry practices, and consistent with standing University procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for 2025-2030 for the above listed properties is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to implement said plans, including the harvesting of timber in areas identified therein, with all timber sales to be conducted in accordance with the bid laws of the State of Alabama; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds generated from the sale of timber shall be used for forest regeneration, management, education, research, and support of operations of the respective property managers of Auburn University, ACES, AAES and SDFEC timberlands.

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

THROUGH: MARK STIRLING, Director of Real Estate

THROUGH: JANAKI ALAVALAPATI, Dean of College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment

FROM: PRESTON PAYNE, Forest Systems Management, College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

FIVE-YEAR TIMBER HARVEST PLAN FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY FOREST LANDS

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

It is proposed that the Board of Trustees consider approval of the Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for Auburn University owned timberlands.

Consistent with standing practice, the College of Forestry, Wildlife, and Environment has developed a Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for the 2025-2030 period for the following Auburn University managed Forest properties:

1. Auburn University Forest Lands – 1,135 acres across five properties around the state. (Exhibit 1)
2. Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES) – 400 acres in Lee County (Exhibit 2)
3. Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station (AAES) – 7,557 acres across 22 research units spread around Alabama (Exhibit 3)
4. Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC) – 5,430 acres in Covington and Escambia County (Exhibit 4)

This plan is submitted for Board of Trustees review and approval to ensure continued sustainable forest management, operational efficiency, and alignment with Auburn University's land stewardship goals.

Review and Consultation:

Auburn University Forest Lands

- Properties: West Property, Crooked Oaks, McClure Property, Kreher Preserve and Nature Center, NCAT Test Track
- Acreage: ~1,135 acres
- Management: CFWE professional foresters
- Revenue Use: Forest regeneration, management, and support for CFWE, Kreher Preserve, and NCAT

Alabama Cooperative Extension System

- Property: Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest
- Acreage: ~400 acres
- Management: CFWE professional foresters
- Revenue Use: Forest regeneration, management, and support of the demonstration forest

Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station

- Properties: 22 research units
- Acreage: ~7,557 acres
- Management: CFWE professional foresters
- Revenue Use: Forest regeneration, management, and support of research programs

Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC)

- Property: SDFEC forest lands
- Acreage: ~5,430 acres
- Management: CFWE professional foresters
- Revenue Use: Forest regeneration, management, and support of SDFEC operations

Plan Highlights

- Sustainable Forestry Practices: All properties are managed using best practices in silviculture and sustainability.
- Reforestation Commitment: Harvested areas will be reforested promptly using high-quality planting stock and appropriate forestry techniques.
- Streamlined Timber Sales: Inclusion of timber sales in the plan allows for pre-approval, eliminating the need for individual sale presentations to the Board.
- Revenue Allocation: All timber revenue will be reinvested into forest management, regeneration, and operational support for each respective property.

If you concur, it is proposed that a resolution providing approval for the Five-Year Timber Harvest Plan for Auburn University Forest Lands be presented to the Board of Trustees for consideration at its meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

**Forest Management Plan
2025-2030
Timber Harvest Projections
Auburn University**



Property	Stands	Harvest Type	Harvest Acres	Projected Volume (tons)				Projected Revenue
				PPW	PST	HPW	HST	
Crooked Oaks (CFWE)	01, 03	Select Cut	121	510	1,100	480	110	\$ 34,200
Crooked Oaks (CFWE)	07	Clearcut	16	680	425	270	0	\$ 8,600
Kreher Preserve & Nature Center (CFWE)	06	Clearcut	19	220	390	595	55	\$ 16,280
Kreher Preserve & Nature Center (CFWE)	03, 04, 09	Select-Cut	37	600	410	360	5	\$ 10,452
Kreher Preserve & Nature Center (CFWE)	08	Thinning	21	390	335	45	0	\$ 8,230
McClure Property (CFWE)	02, 04, 05	Clearcut	119	2,380	7,380	245	0	\$ 129,450
McClure Property (CFWE)	01	Thinning	101	3,910	210	150	0	\$ 27,620
NCAT Test Track (Active Harvest)	01, 04	Thinning	148	3,760	1,320	575	0	\$ 45,160
West Property (CFWE)	01	Select-Cut	66	270	110	2,140	380	\$ 28,110
Five Year Total 2025-2030			527	12,210	10,580	4,380	440	\$ 308,102

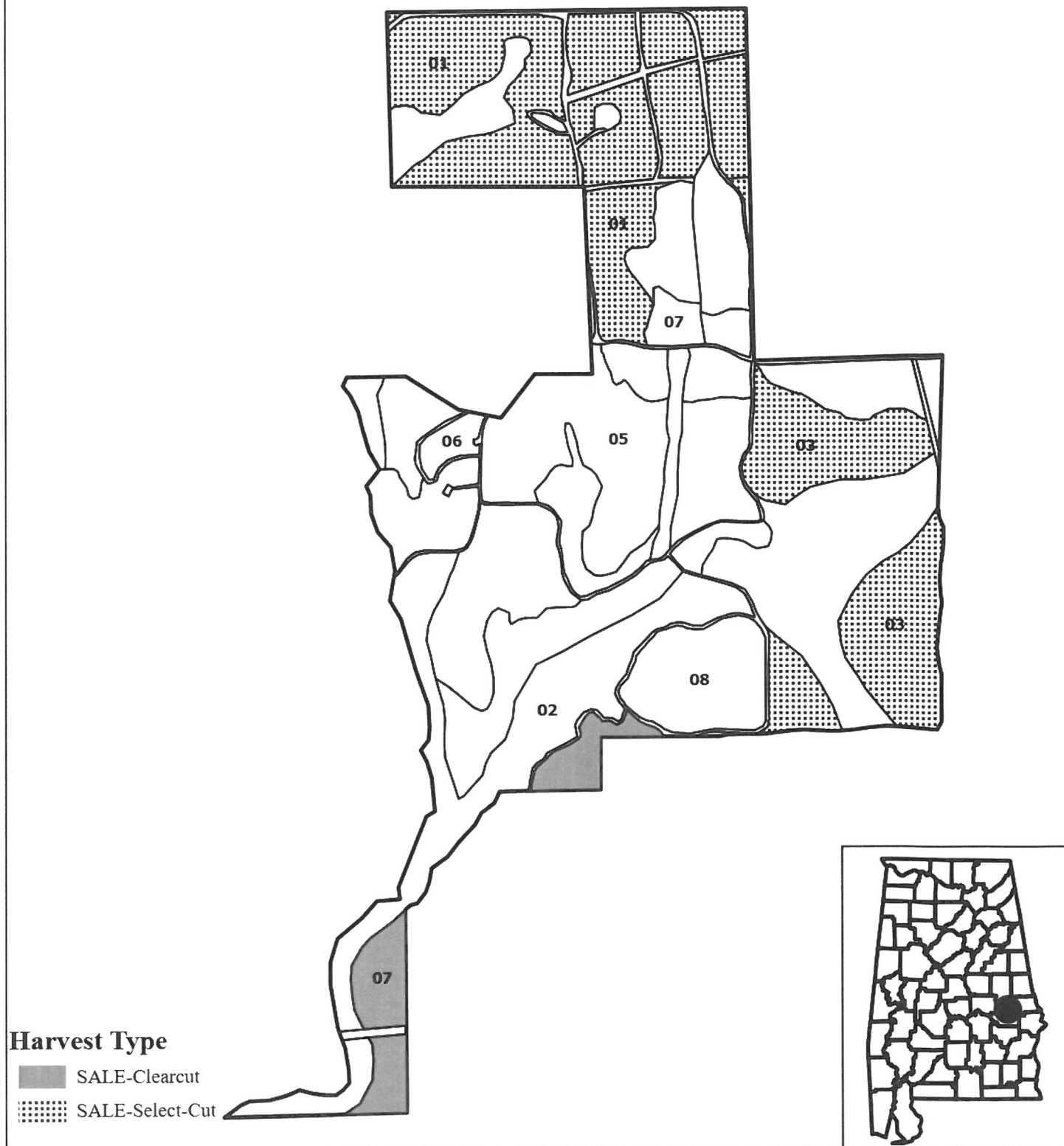
Endnotes:

PPW: Pine Pulpwood PST: Pine Sawtimber
Tons: 2,000 pounds green weight

HPW: Hardwood Pulpwood HST: Hardwood Sawtimber
Projected Volume & Revenue: Estimated from timber inventories performed by AU Forest Manager



Crooked Oaks (CFWE)
Auburn University
Macon County, Alabama
2025-2030 Planned Harvests



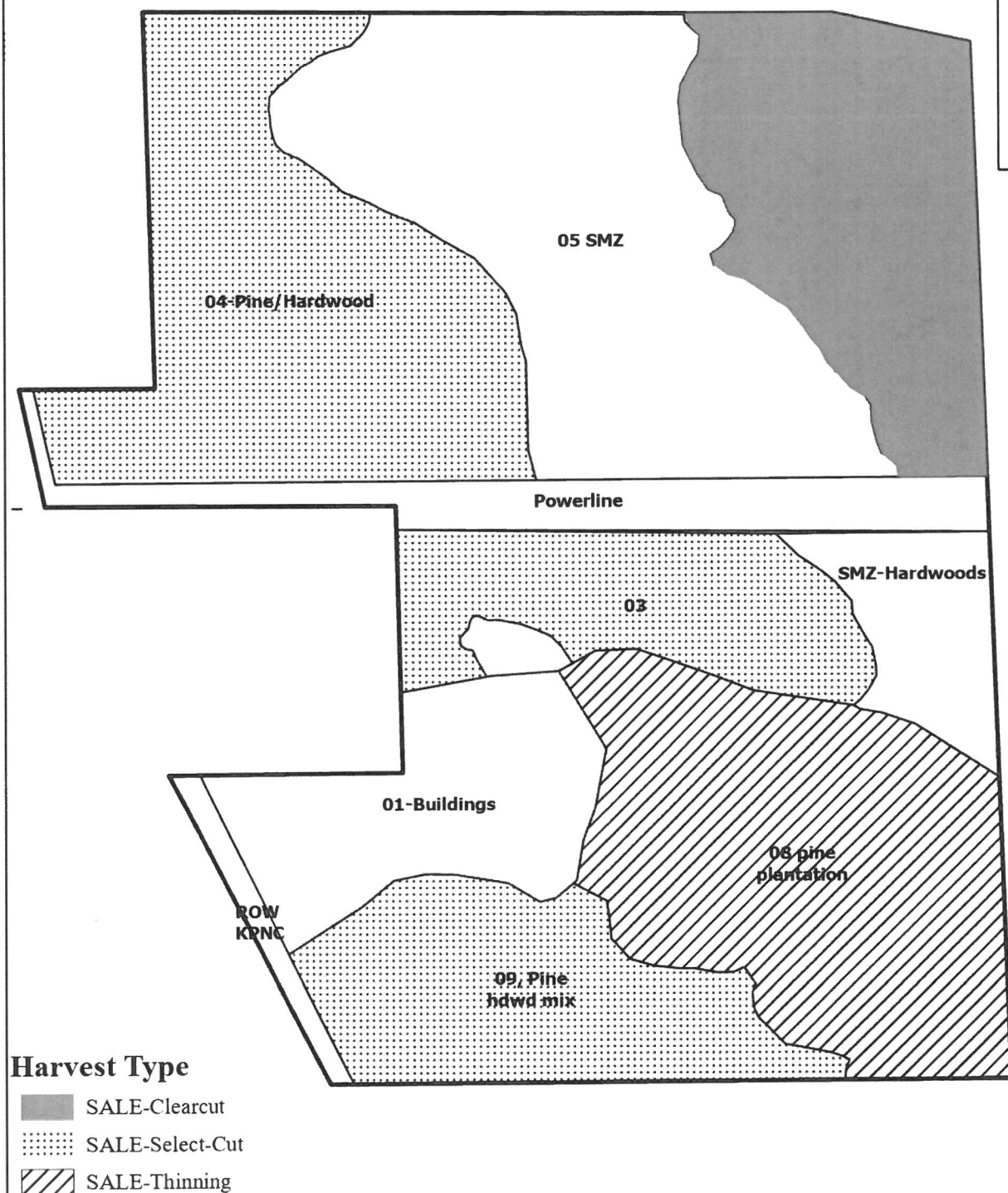
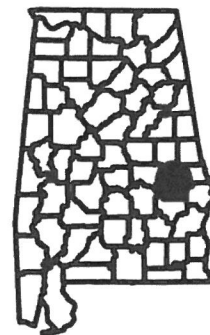
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Kreher Preserve & Nature Center (CFWE)
Auburn University
Lee County, Alabama

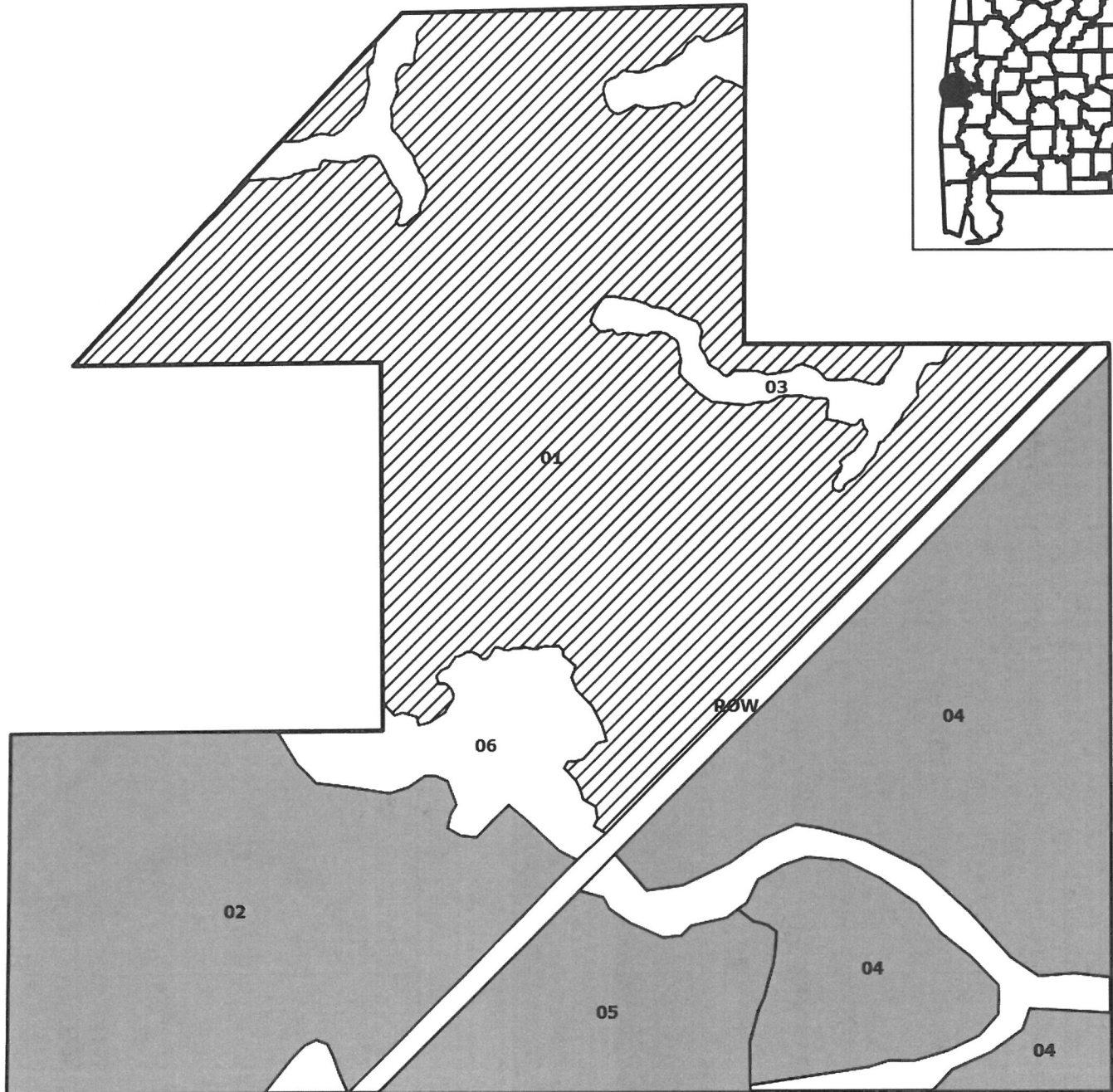
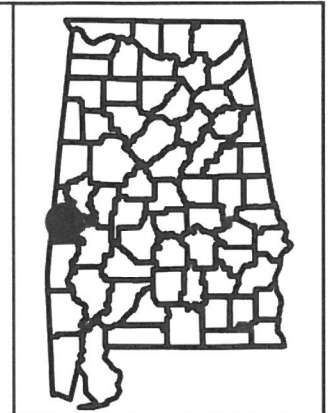
2025-2030 Planned Harvests





McClure Property (CFWE)
Auburn University
Sumter County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

-  SALE-Clearcut
-  SALE-Thinning

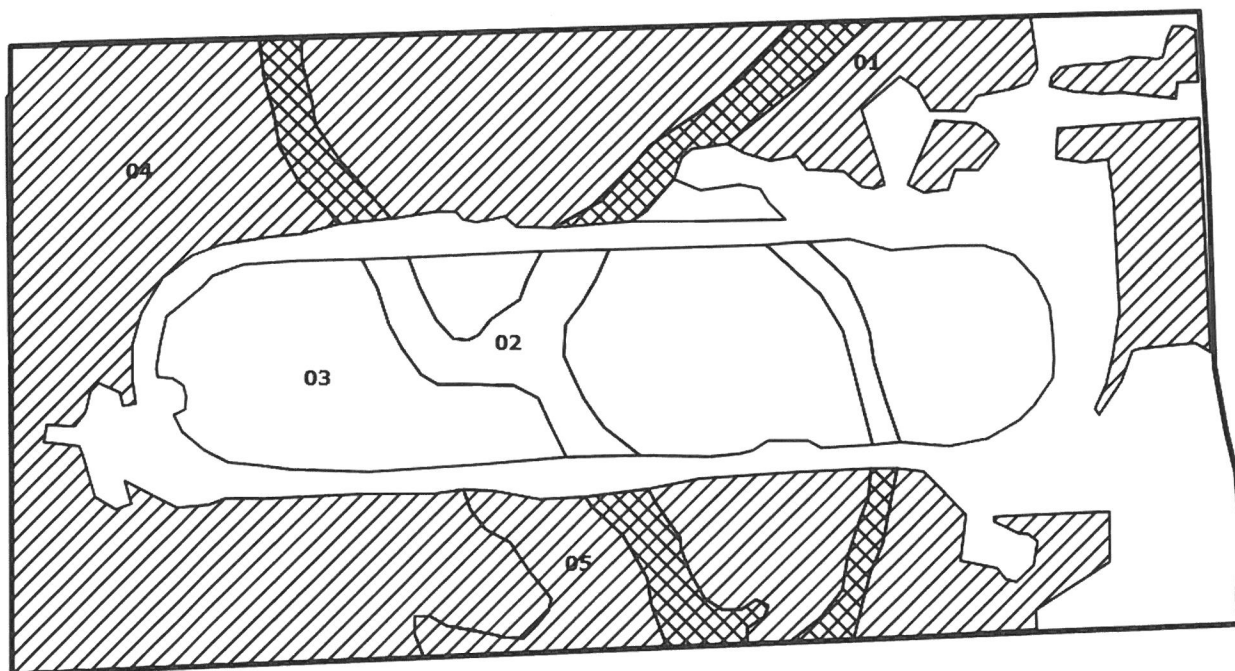
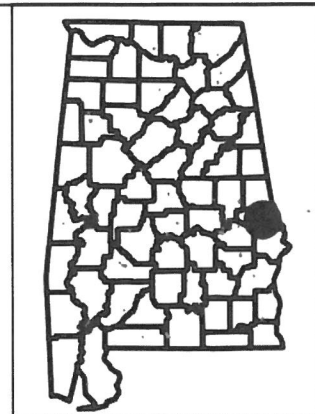
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NCAT Test Track Auburn University Lee County, Alabama

2025 Active Harvest



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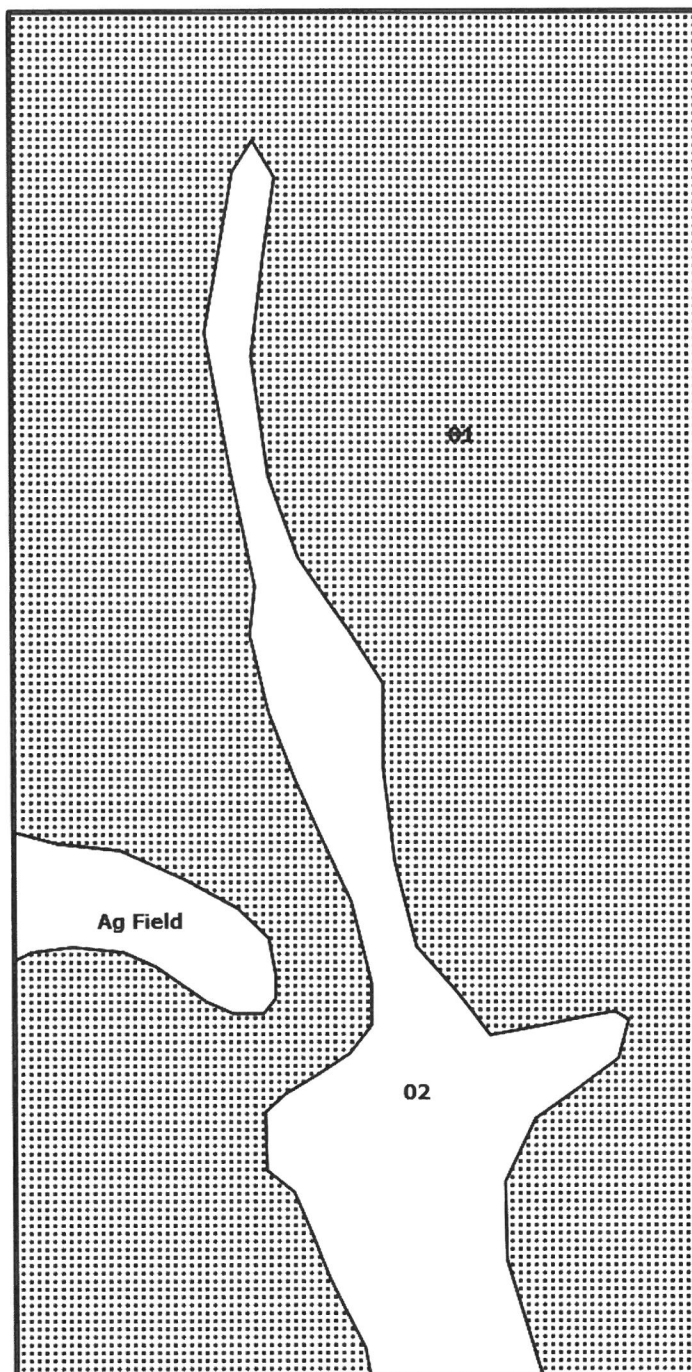
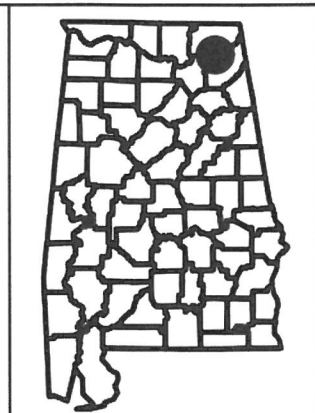
-  SALE-SMZ
-  SALE-Thinning

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West Property (CFWE)
Auburn University
Jackson County, Alabama
2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

 SALE-Select-Cut

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Projection: UTMNAD 1983 Zone 16 N

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Forest Management Plan
2025-2030
Timber Harvest Projections
Alabama Cooperative Extension System



Property	Stands	Harvest Type	Harvest Acres	Projected Volume (tons)				Projected Revenue
				PPW	PST	HPW	HST	
Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest	23	Clearcut	50	876	2,891	449	0	\$ 65,500
Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest	28, 29, 32	Select-Cut	23	85	127	574	0	\$ 8,200
Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest	04, 18, 33	Thinning	36	1,295	0	40	0	\$ 7,800

\$ 81,500

**Total Five-Year
Revenue**

Endnotes:

PPW: Pine Pulpwood

PST: Pine Sawtimber

HPW: Hardwood Pulpwood

HST: Hardwood Sawtimber

Tons: 2,000 pounds green weight

Projected Volume & Revenue: Estimated from timber inventories performed by AU Forest Manager

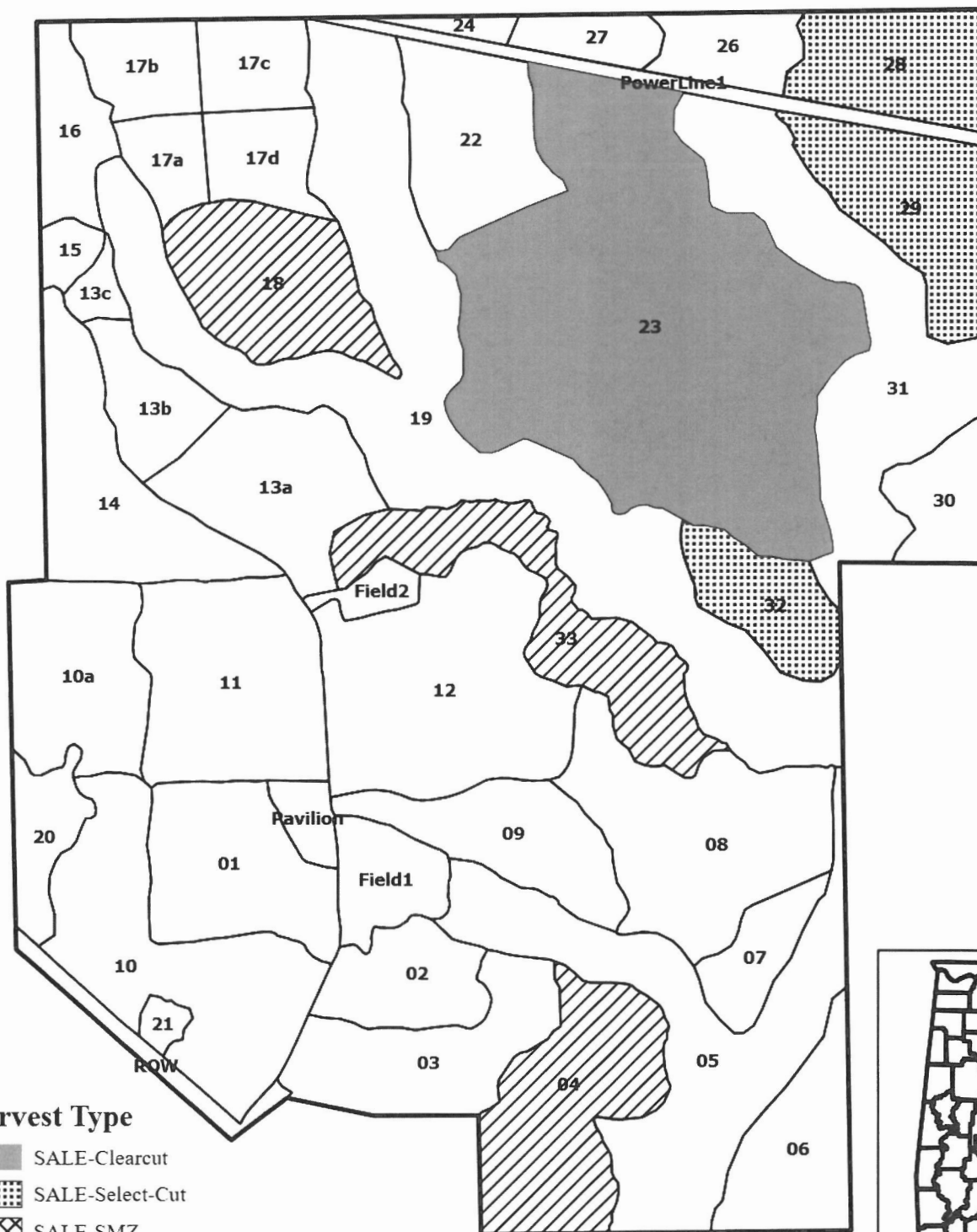


Mary Olive Thomas Demonstration Forest

Alabama Cooperative Extension System

Lee County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

- SALE-Clearcut
- SALE-Select-Cut
- SALE-SMZ
- SALE-Thinning

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Projection: UTMNAD 1983 Zone 16 N

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**Forest Management Plan
2025-2030
Timber Harvest Projections**
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station



Property	Stands	Harvest Type	Harvest Acres	Projected Volume (tons)				Projected Revenue
				PPW	PST	HPW	HST	
Autauga Ag Research Center 3		Thinning	185	2,700	0	0	0	\$ 17,800
Autauga Ag Research Center 5		Select Cut	37	280	680	45	0	\$ 12,046
Autauga Experiment Forest (CFWE)	01, 06, 07, 08, 15, 27	Thinning	120	4,700	590	250	0	\$ 35,400
Autauga Experiment Forest (CFWE)	10	Clearcut	10	340	300	35	0	\$ 11,402
Autauga Experiment Forest (CFWE)	18, 20, 21, 22	Select-Cut	99	1,540	1,150	110	0	\$ 71,040
Barbour Experiment Forest (CFWE)	02a, 02b, 02c	Thinning	37	1,500	170	0	160	\$ 14,440
Barbour Experiment Forest (CFWE)	11	Clearcut	9	570	90	0	60	\$ 10,354
Coosa Experiment Forest (CFWE)	01, 02, 03	Clearcut	114	750	6,770	500	0	\$ 111,650
Coosa Experiment Forest (CFWE)	06	Thinning	21	670	0	30	0	\$ 4,800
E.V. Smith Ag Research Center	22, 28, 47	Thinning	98	900	150	0	0	\$ 7,800
E.V. Smith Ag Research Center	16, 17, 21, 32	Clearcut	114	5,650	1,890	90	0	\$ 62,420
Fayette Experiment Forest (CFWE)	09, 10, 14, 17, 37, 41, 44	Thinning	271	4,450	235	860	0	\$ 56,310
Fayette Experiment Forest (CFWE)	15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 29, 30	Clearcut	282	20,370	887	2,590	154	\$ 290,140
Gulf Coast Research & Extension Center	01	Select Cut	25	782	595	918	30	\$ 27,700
Gulf Coast Research & Extension Center	3	Clearcut	27	781	23	36	3	\$ 40,784
Harper-Wigly Tree Farm	11	Select Cut	22	45	118	1,470	253	\$ 16,710
Harper-Wigly Tree Farm	04, 07, 09, 10, 13	Clearcut	37	660	920	1,180	140	\$ 31,540
Monroeville Ag Research Unit	01, 02	Thinning	70	2,810	450	18	0	\$ 22,970
North Auburn Unit (Animal Science)	201	Clearcut	24	6	5	50	60	\$ 1,140
North Auburn (Fisheries Unit)	86,92	Select-Cut	27	2,620	360	790	30	\$ 35,600

Forest Management Plan
2025-2030
Timber Harvest Projections
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station

Property	Stands	Harvest Type	Harvest Acres	Projected Volume (tons)				Projected Revenue
				PPW	PST	HPW	HST	
North Auburn Unit (Fisheries)	05, 15, 17, 23, 27, 30, 36 40, 46, 48, 56, 63, 74, 84, 89	Thinning	134	29,200	2,320	3,600	75	\$ 150,410
North Auburn Unit (Fisheries)	01, 52, 71, 82, 88	Clearcut	112	8,740	990	2,160	360	\$ 149,650
North Auburn Unit (CFWE)	101, 122, 129, 144	Clearcut	36	1,912	452	615	135	\$ 44,877
North Auburn Unit (CFWE)	106, 107, 121, 123, 128	Thinning	52	1,180	140	400	0	\$ 18,805
North Auburn Unit (CFWE)	136, 139, 142	Select Cut	68	1,350	5,580	640	0	\$ 38,850
Piedmont Research Center	01, 08, 09, 13	Clearcut	96	4,910	882	2,010	96	\$ 95,720
Piedmont Research Center	31, 50, 51, 53, 54	Thinning	55	1,916	0	380	0	\$ 20,630
Plant Breeding Unit	05	Clearcut	29	1,030	0	990	0	\$ 16,350
Upper Coastal Plain Ag Research Center	01, 02	Clearcut	51	1,370	2,450	230	0	\$ 41,000
Upper Coastal Plain Ag Research Center	04, 07, 09	Thinning	29	910	120	0	0	\$ 4,650
Five Year Total 2020-2025			2,291	104,642	28,317	19,997	1,556	\$ 1,462,988

Endnotes:

PPW: Pine Pulpwood

PST: Pine Sawtimber

HPW: Hardwood Pulpwood

HST: Hardwood Sawtimber

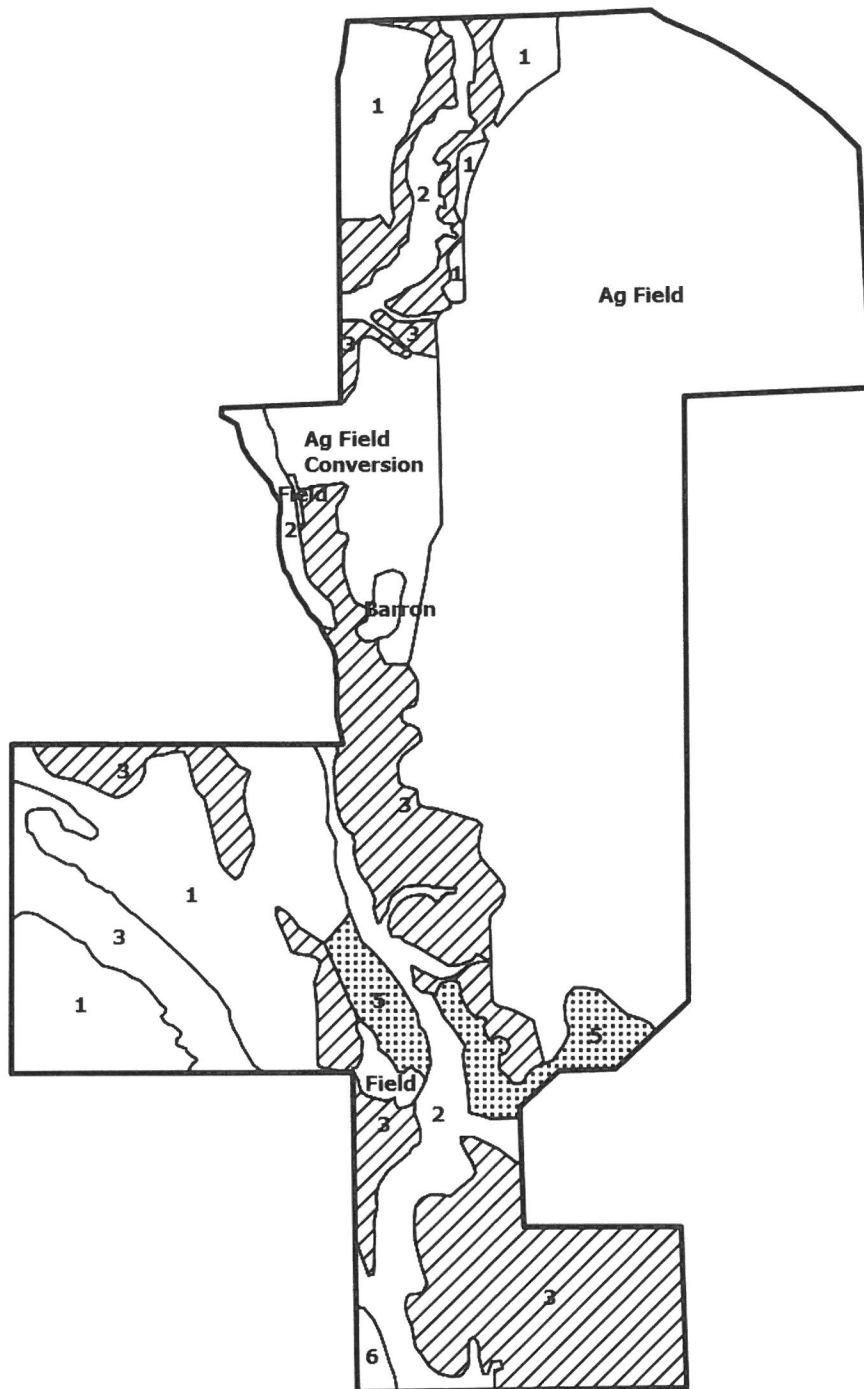
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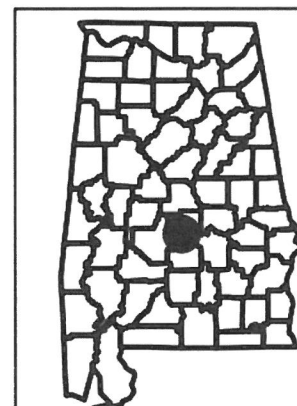
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Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Autauga County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

-  SALE-Select-Cut
-  SALE-Thinning



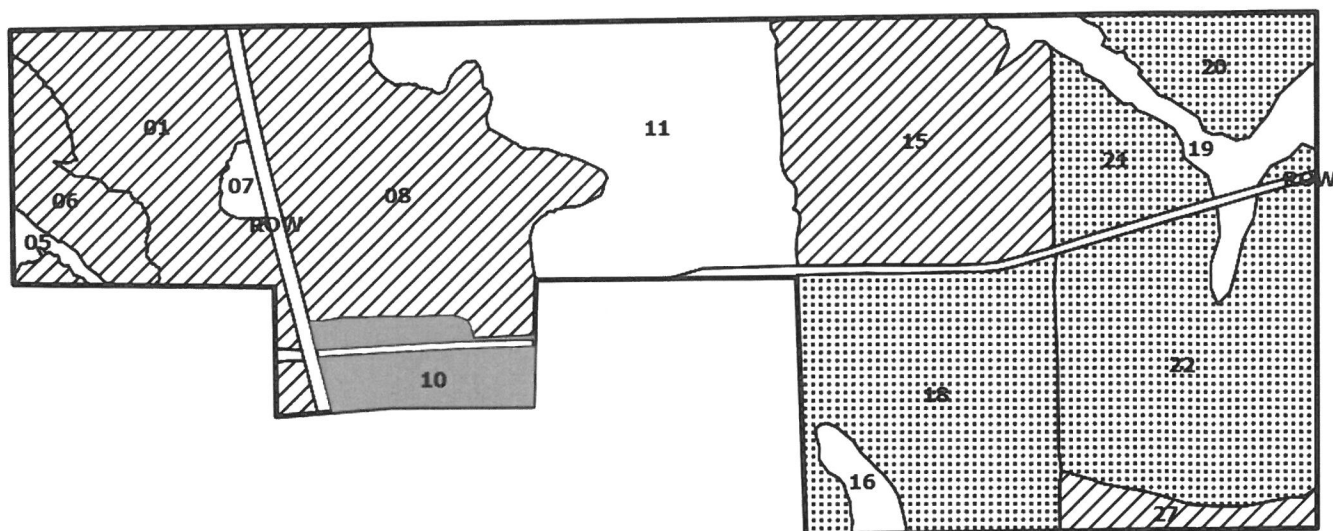
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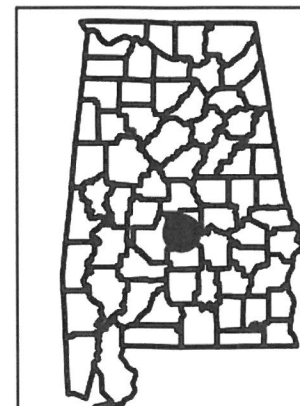
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Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Autauga County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

-  SALE-Clearcut
-  SALE-Select-Cut
-  SALE-SMZ
-  SALE-Thinning



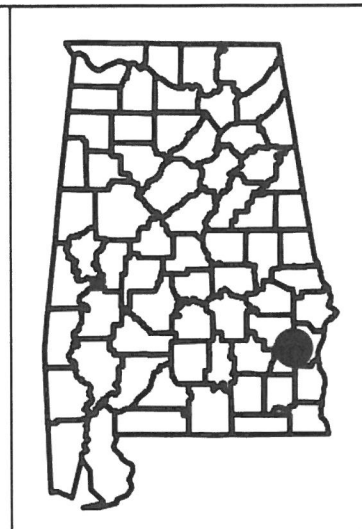
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Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Barbour County, Alabama

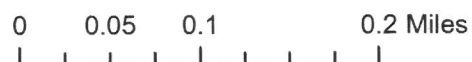
2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

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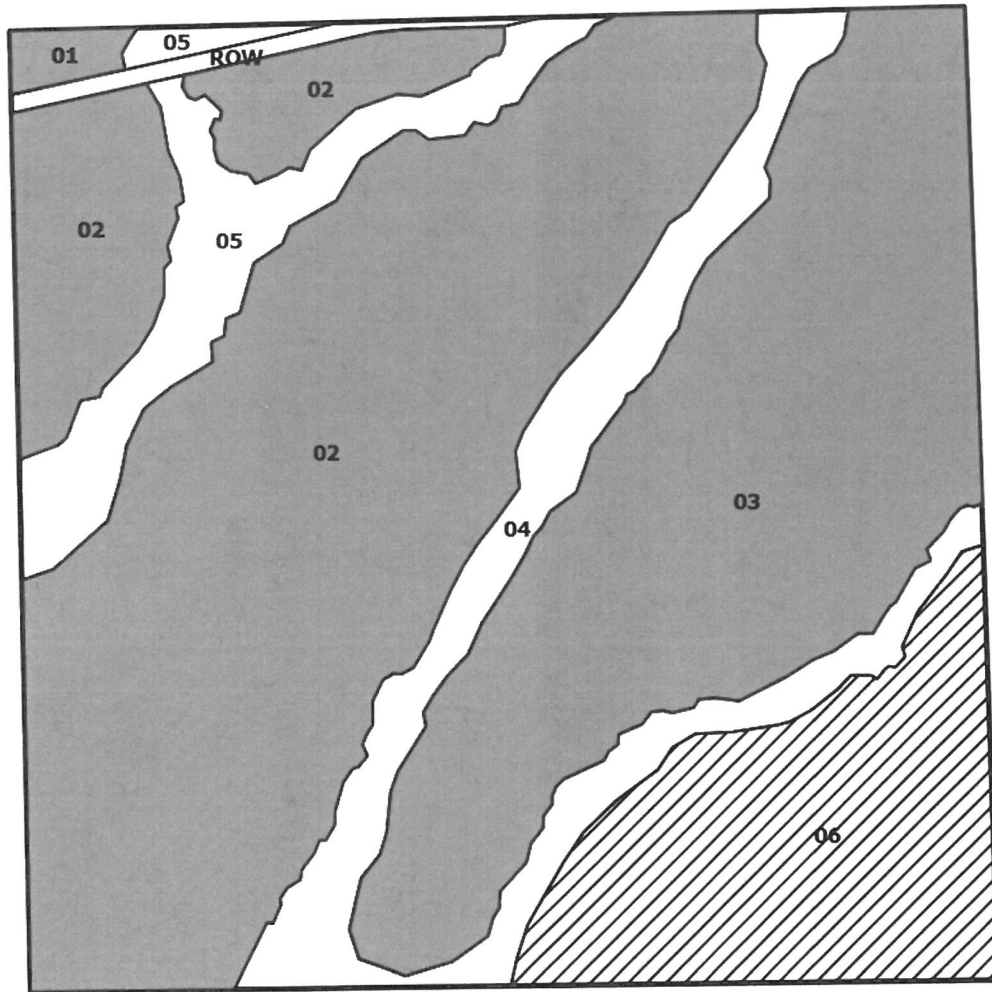
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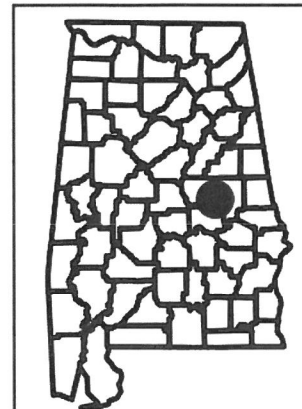
Coosa Experiment Forest (CFWE)
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Coosa County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests




Harvest Type

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-  SALE-Thinning



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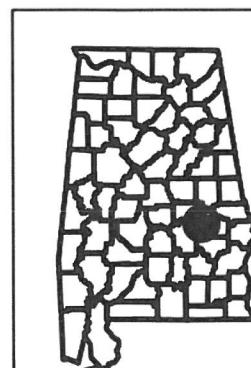
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Macon County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

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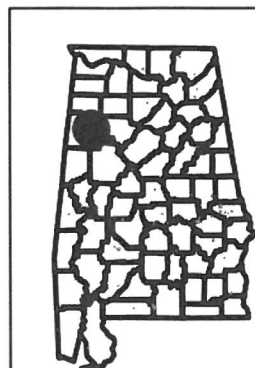
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Fayette Experiment Forest (CFWE)
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Fayette County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests




Harvest Type

-  SALE-Clearcut
-  SALE-Thinning

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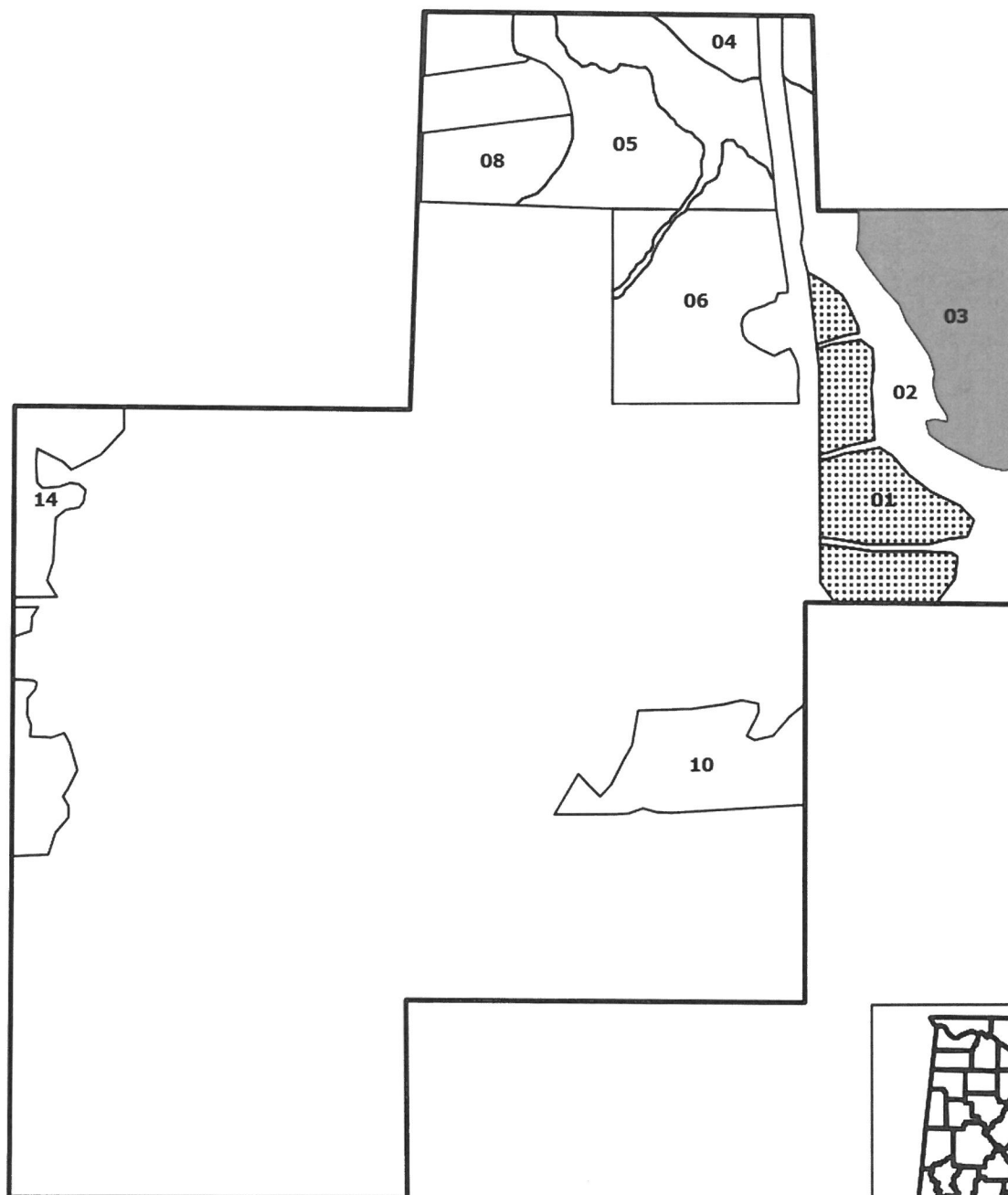
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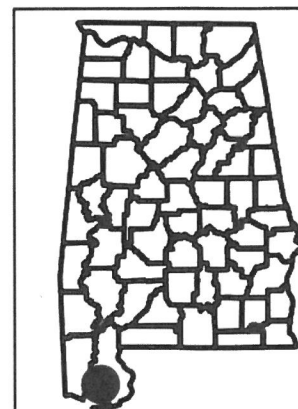
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2025-2030 Planned Harvests




Harvest Type

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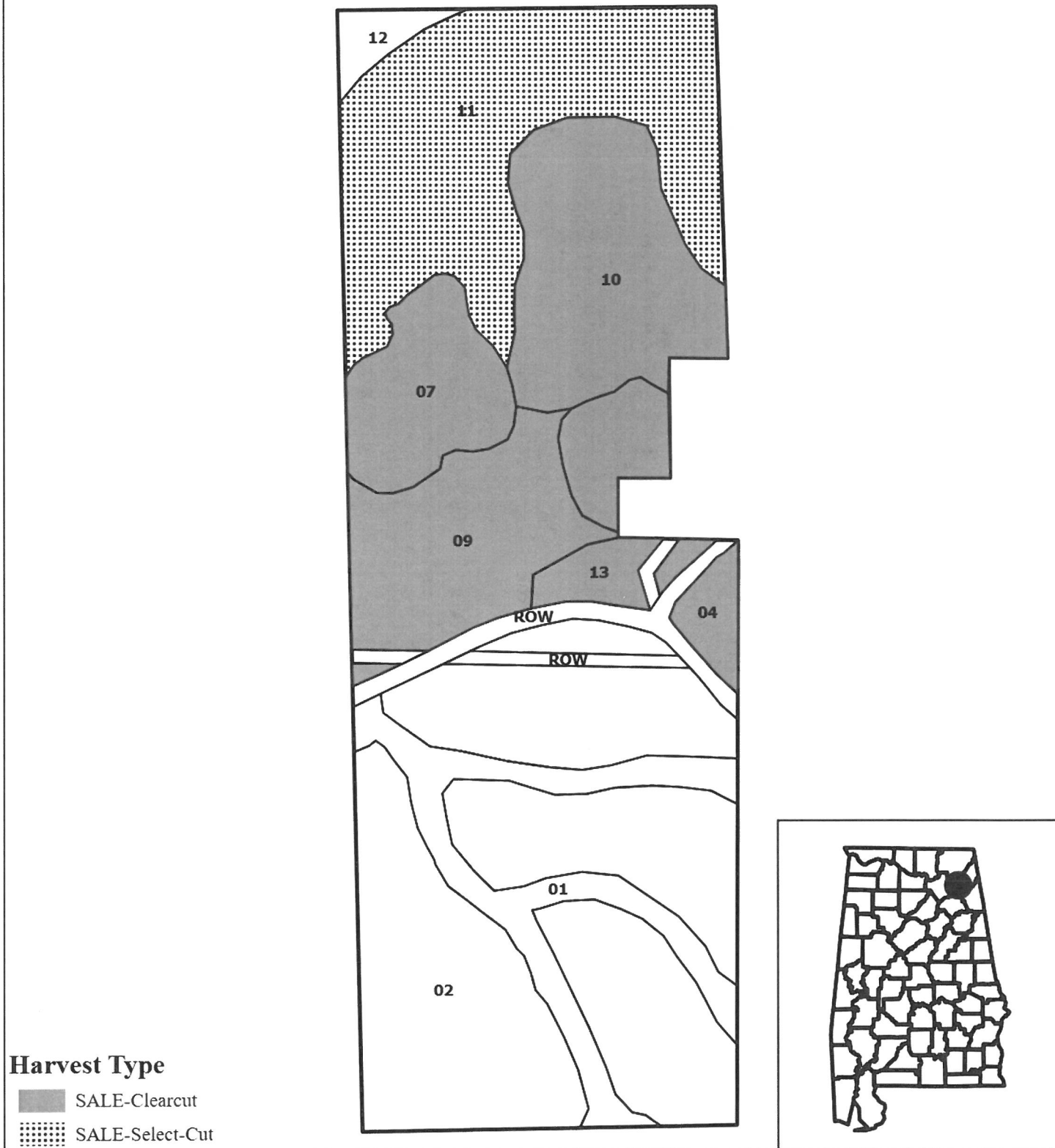
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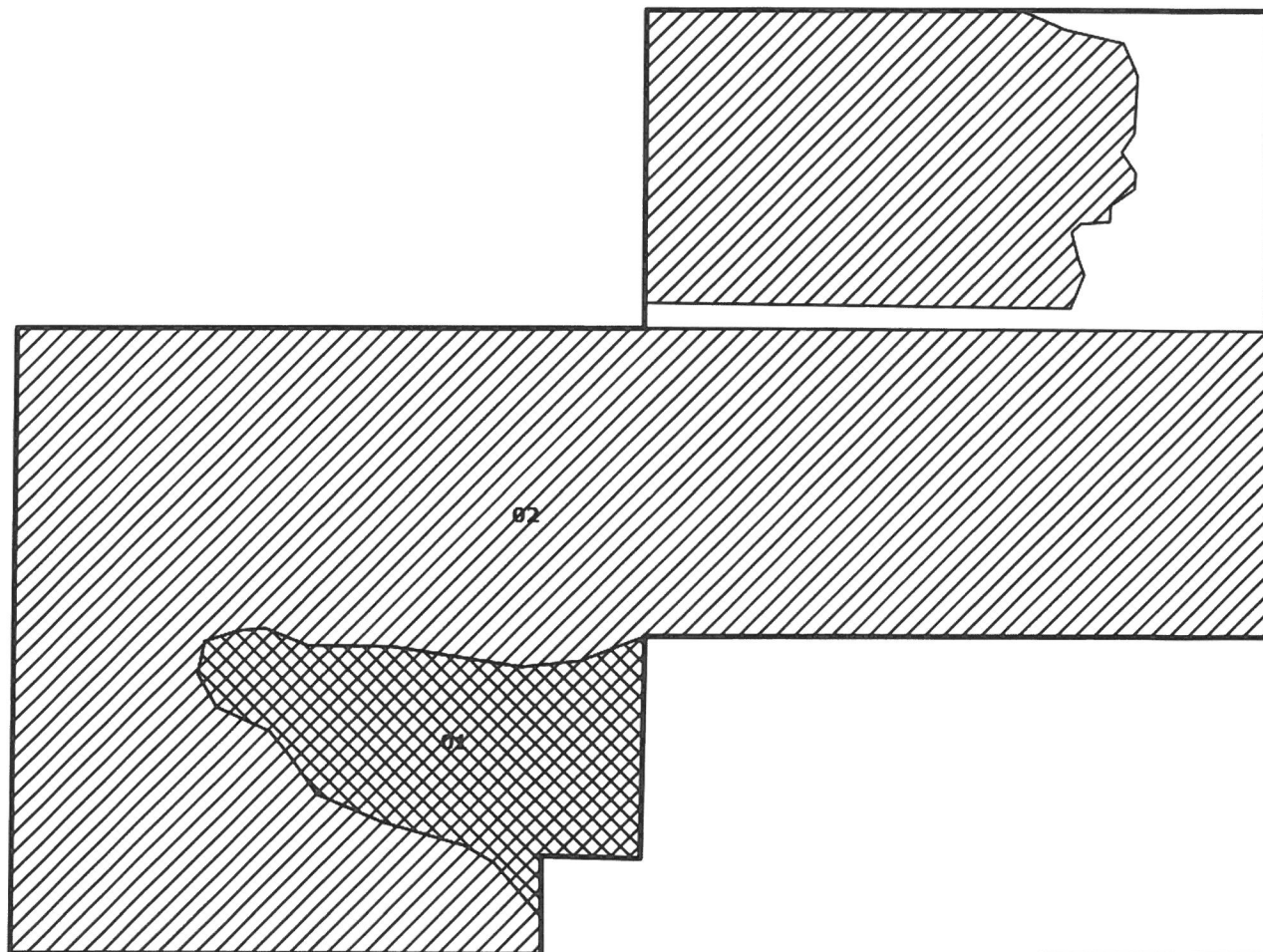
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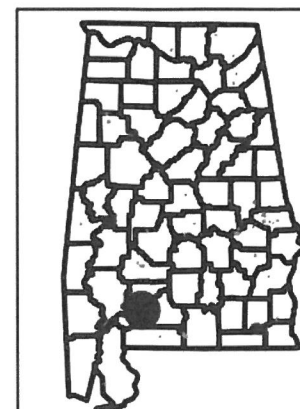
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Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Monroe County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

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-  SALE-Thinning



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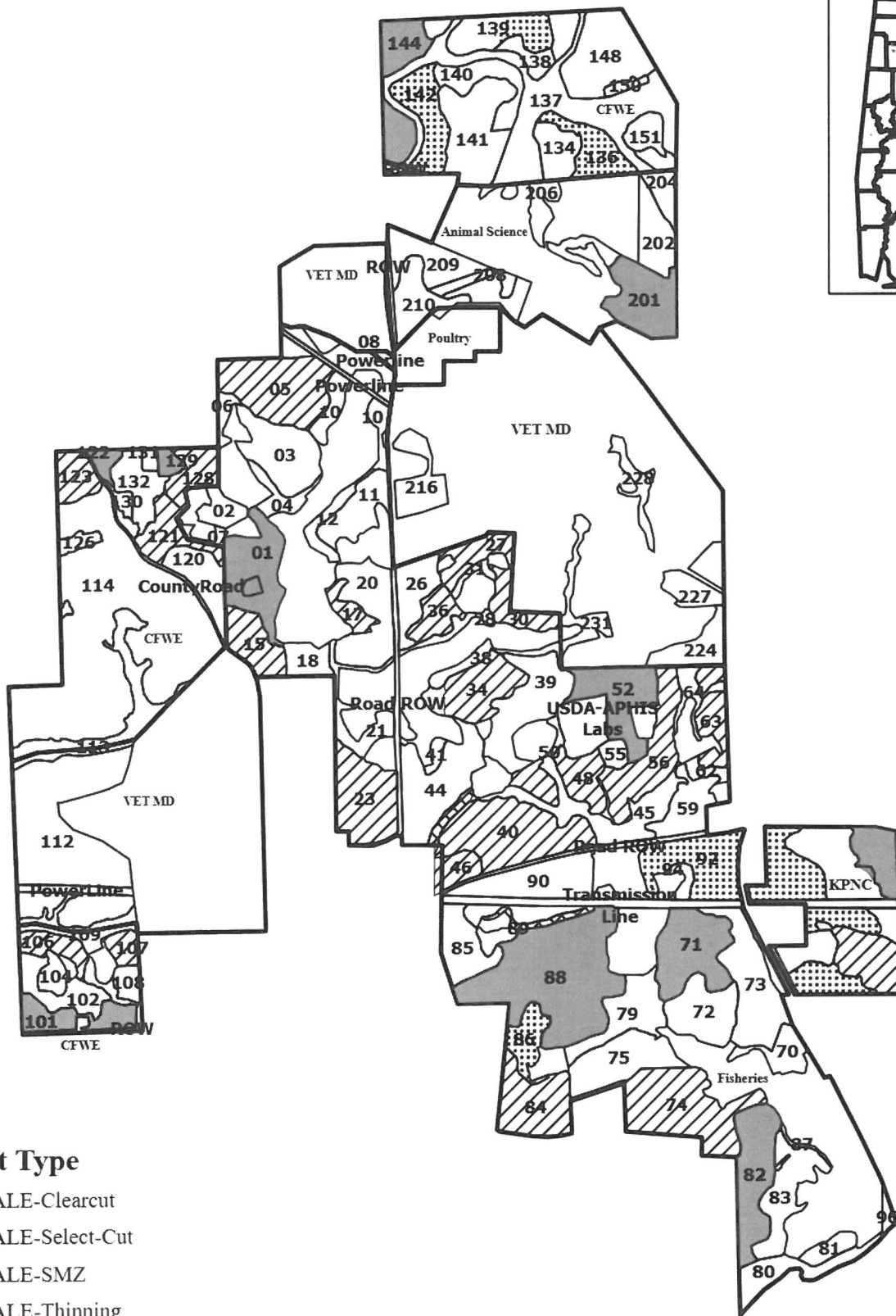
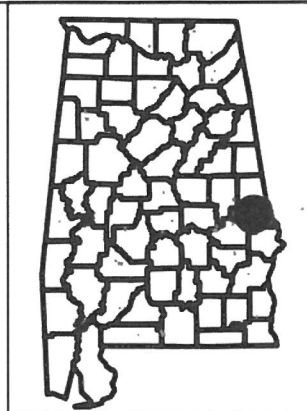
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North Auburn Unit
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Lee County, Alabama

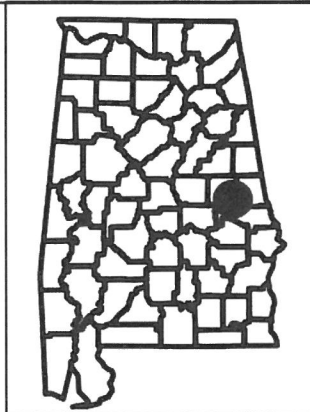
2025-2030 Planned Harvests





**Piedmont Research Center
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Tallapoosa County, Alabama**

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

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-  SALE-Thinning

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Plant Breeding Unit
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Elmore County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests



Harvest Type

SALE-Clearcut

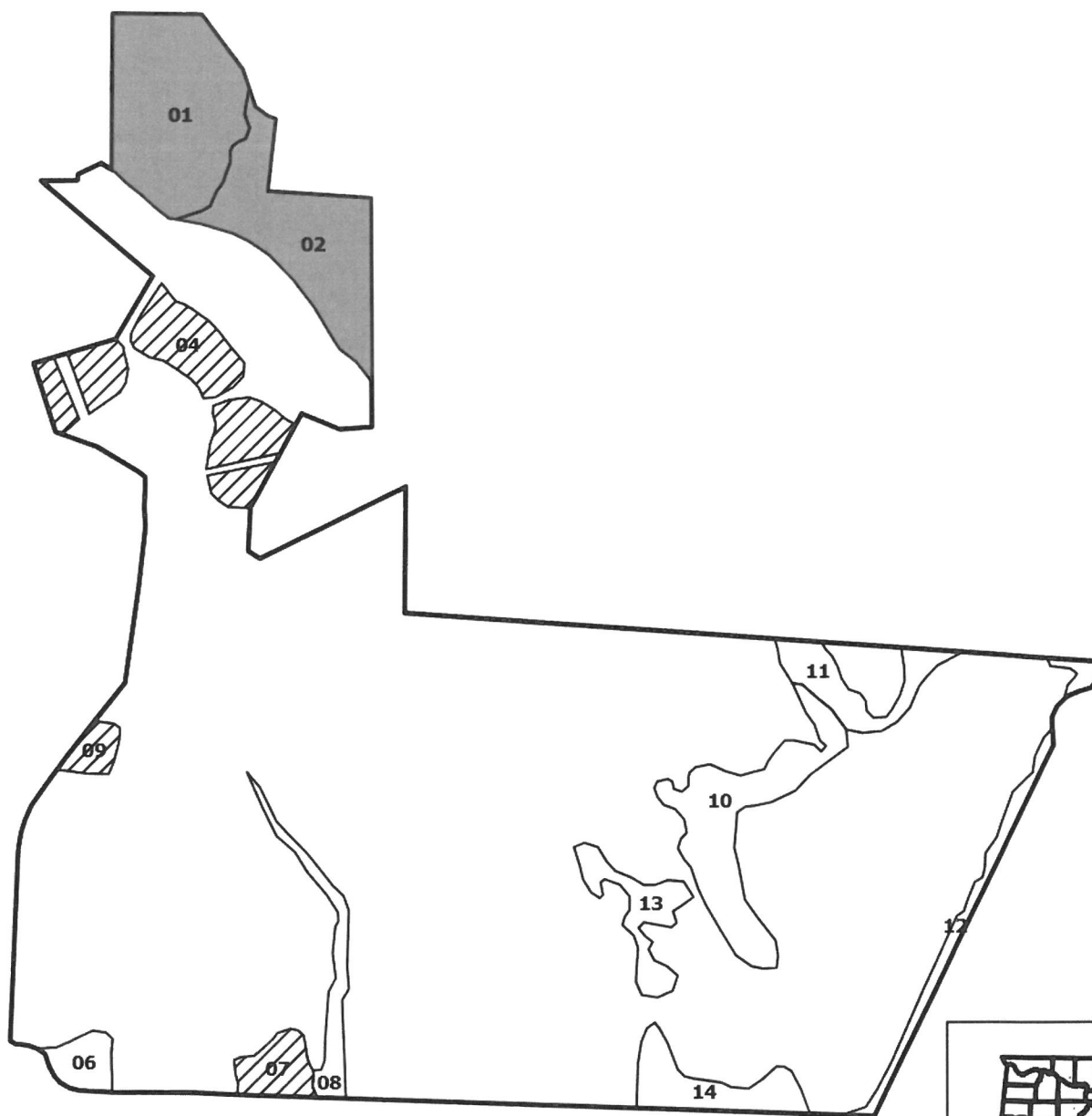
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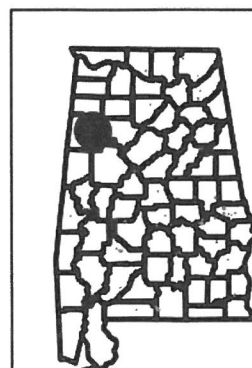
Upper Coastal Plain Agricultural Research Center
Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station
Fayette/Marion County, Alabama

2025-2030 Planned Harvests




Harvest Type

-  SALE-Clearcut
-  SALE-Thinning



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Forest Management Plan
2026 - 2030
Timber Harvest Projections
Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC)



Property	Stands	Harvest Type	Harvest Acres	Projected Volume (tons)				Projected Revenue	
				PPW	PST	HPW	HST		
SDFEC	2-2/13W/7-3S/7-4,9-1SWL	1st Thinning	103	3,399	0	0	0	\$	20,000
SDFEC	5-4/6-1,6-2,6-11BG , 2-13E	1st Thinning	85	2,380	0	0	0	\$	14,000
SDFEC	3-14/-18/-21,5-11,6-12-1/2/3	1st Thinning	64	2,112	0	0	0	\$	12,500
SDFEC	5-1/E, 5-7, 2-5SSE, 9-6LL, 9-3E/W	1st thinning	108	3,024	0	0	0	\$	18,000
SDFEC	9_9/10	Clearcut	81	1,879	602	1,470	0	\$	36,000
SDFEC	5-3E/W, 5-2L1/2	3rd Thinning	91	1,456	1,001	0	0	\$	29,500
SDFEC	6-6/7/8WW,9-4S/Nat,9-6LN	2nd/3rd Thin	138	2,760	1,104	99	0	\$	45,500
SDFEC	6-3/S/WN,6-8WN/S	Selection Cut	151	1,208	1,510	0	0	\$	38,000
SDFEC	7-3N/S, 7-9L/LE/LW/LLN/S, 7-10L/LL	2nd/3rd Thinning	164	2,952	1,640	0	0	\$	52,000
SDFEC	6-4-1/2/3/5,8-4NW,2-6	2nd Thinning	50	1,050	350	0	0	\$	13,500
SDFEC	9-1CN/SE/SW/E	Selection Cut	114	1,368	912	56	0	\$	27,500
SDFEC	5_6Han	Clearcut	18	176	317	246	0	\$	12,500
SDFEC	8-6/7/9O/A	Clearcut	149	10,668	0	0	0	\$	87,000
SDFEC	2-9GB/7-2L	1st Thinning	86	2,408	0	0	0	\$	14,000
SDFEC	4-4/-8S	1st Thinning	70	1,680	0	0	0	\$	10,000
SDFEC	8-2S/E,NW, 8-3LL/L2,8-4EL	1st/2nd Thinning	105	1,050	840	0	0	\$	23,000
SDFEC	9-5/10,1-4	Selection Cut	62	976	244	56	0	\$	11,000
SDFEC	2-5/8,3-3S/16,5-5,6-5, 1-6W/E, 1-7,1-5	Selection Cut	197	1,576	1,970	39	0	\$	51,000

Forest Management Plan
2026 - 2030
Timber Harvest Projections
Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC)

Property	Stands	Harvest Type	Harvest Acres	Projected Volume (tons)				Projected Revenue
				PPW	PST	HPW	HST	
SDFEC	2-1/-7,-14LL1/2,3-3N,-8	Selection Cut	101	808	1,010	0	0	\$ 25,500
SDFEC	1-1/1-3N/S/1-8S,1-12	Selection Cut	73	1,022	803	36	0	\$ 23,000
SDFEC	6-9N/S,7-1N/S,7-3N/S,7-5W	Selection Cut	203	1,626	2,033	112	0	\$ 42,000
SDFEC	8-1/-4WLL	Selection Cut	37	592	370	0	0	\$ 10,500
SDFEC	5-16H	Clearcut	25	59	182	582	528	\$ 30,000
SDFEC	1-2N/E,1-1E, 8-3L, 8-5N/N/S	Clearcut	55	1,540	880	0	0	\$ 26,500
SDFEC	2-3N/E/W,-12,3-6,5-9,10,-1 2nd Thinning		126	1134	1260	0	0	32500
SDFEC	8-2N/S	Selection Cut	75	1,350	750	0	0	\$ 23,000
SDFEC	9_8	Clearcut	36	429	1,221	0	297	\$ 31,500
SDFEC	4-8N/SW, 9-1SE1/2,-1W,-2, 1st/2nd Thinning		121	1210	968	0	0	\$ 21,000
Five Year Total 2026-2030			2,688	51,892	19,967	2,696	825	\$780,500

Endnotes:

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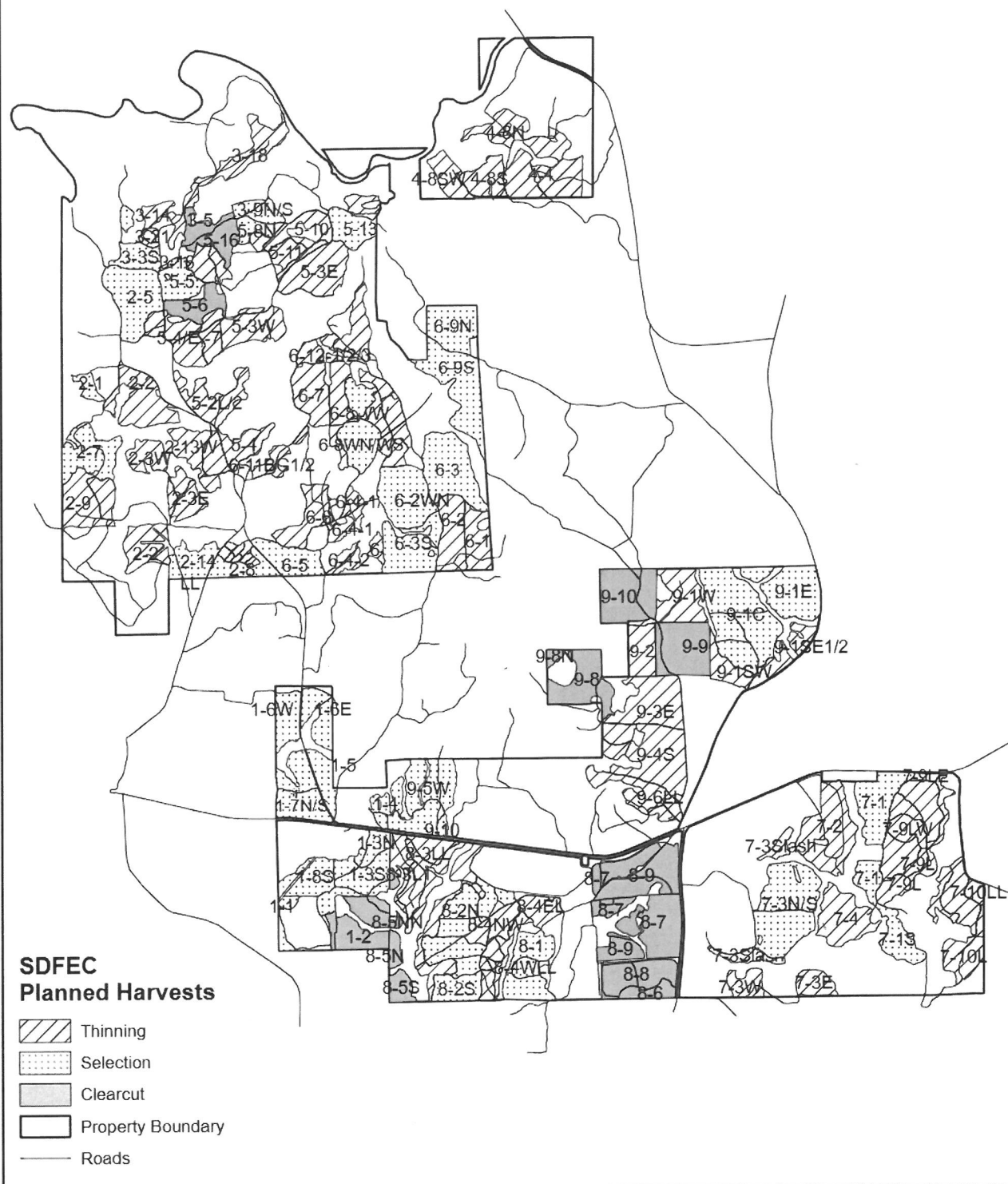
Tons: 2,000 pounds green weight

Projected Volume & Revenue: Estimated from timber inventories performed by SDFEC Staff



Solon Dixon Forestry Education Center (SDFEC) Auburn University Escambia - Covington Counties Dixie, Alabama

2026-2030 Planned Harvests



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STATUS UPDATES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES


FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Time will be allotted for the following status updates:

- a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater
- b. Quarterly Report for Projects Costing More than \$500,000 but Less than \$1,000,000 – 3rd Quarter, Fiscal Year 2025
- c. Project Status Reports



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President
THROUGH: KELLI SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer
FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 
SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE
**CURRENT STATUS OF NEW CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION/
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS WITH BUDGETS OF \$1,000,000 AND GREATER
(INFORMATION ONLY)**
DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This is to request that the following proposal be submitted to the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda of the Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

Consistent with standing practice, it is proposed that the current status report of new construction/renovation/infrastructure projects with budgets greater than \$1,000,000 be submitted, *for information only*, to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

Review and Consultation:

The Board of Trustees at its meeting on June 4, 2001, requested that it receive a regular update on the financial status of Board approved projects. The attached list includes projects at Auburn University and outlying units.

Rationale for Recommendation:

Consistent with the request of the Board of Trustees for a current status report of new construction/renovation/infrastructure projects with budgets greater than \$1,000,000, the attached listing is provided, *for information only*, to the Board through the Property and Facilities Committee for inclusion on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Auburn University Facilities Management

Current Capital Projects

(Spending across Multiple Years)

Summary of Cash Flow by Project Phase

<i>Project Phase</i>	<i>Previous Approved Budget Amount</i>	<i>Current Approved Budget Amount</i>	<i>Actual Spending to Date (across multiple years)</i>	<i>Estimated Spending Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2025</i>	<i>Estimated Spending Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2026 & Forward</i>
Substantial Completion	263,650,000	145,700,000	135,328,850	5,191,109	2,681,801 *
Construction	489,400,000	526,100,000	326,795,853	48,014,408	134,976,412 *
Design	63,740,104	8,546,397	1,409,114	425,000	6,712,283
Planning	2,703,092	14,763,092	477,647	911,540	13,373,905
Totals	819,493,196	695,109,489	464,011,464	54,542,057	157,744,401 *
Other Open Projects	90,228,081	99,176,935	37,834,316	3,407,923	57,934,696
Grand Totals	909,721,277	794,286,424	501,845,780	57,949,980	215,679,097 *

* On the lines with asterisks, the sum of the spending columns does not equal the current approved budget figure due to projects being executed under budget. See individual project lines on following pages for details.

ESTIMATED CASHFLOW MATRIX and ACTUAL SPENDING and ENCUMBRANCE ACTIVITY

<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Project Phase</i>	<i>Original Approved Budget Amount</i>	<i>Current Approved Budget Amount</i>	<i>AU Funding (includes gifts/grants)</i>	<i>AU Bond Funding</i>	<i>Federal/ State or Local Funding</i>	<i>(B) Actual Spending to Date (across multiple years)</i>	<i>Estimated Spending Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2025</i>	<i>Estimated Spending Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2026 & Forward</i>	<i>(C) Current Encumbrances Against Project</i>	<i>(A)-(B)- (C) Current Open Balance (Budget less Actuals and Encumbrances)</i>	
SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION PHASE												
Parkerson Mill Creek - Greenway Phase III (Lem Morrison Drive To VCOM Pond) 21-514	COMPLETED	1,500,000	2,100,000	881,217		1,218,783	1,979,596	0	0	0	120,404	* See note below
Kreher Preserve & Nature Center - Environmental Education Building 20-429	Substantial Completion	1,950,000	3,900,000	3,900,000			3,744,861	128,000	20,000	89,360	65,779	* See note below
North AU Equine Facility - New Office Building 21-108	Substantial Completion	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000			6,329,570	300,000	0	278,625	391,805	* See note below
Recreation and Wellness Center Renovation for Health Promotion & Wellness Services 23-072	Substantial Completion	3,200,000	3,200,000	3,200,000			2,326,756	73,244	0	16,784	856,460	* See note below
Plainsman Park Improvements 21-378	Substantial Completion	30,000,000	30,000,000	3,653,506	26,346,494		29,266,968	733,032	0	449,340	283,692	
College of Education Building - New Facility 18-538	Substantial Completion	77,000,000	77,000,000	6,000,000	34,585,165	36,414,835	71,847,766	2,852,234	1,500,000	1,295,119	3,857,115	* See note below
Quad Residence Halls Renovation Phase 2: Teague & Little Halls 21-358	Substantial Completion	22,500,000	22,500,000	22,500,000			19,833,333	1,104,599	1,161,801	1,561,618	1,105,049	* See note below
Total Substantial Completion			145,700,000	47,134,723	60,931,659	37,633,618	135,328,850	5,191,109	2,681,801	3,690,846	6,680,304	

ESTIMATED CASHFLOW MATRIX and ACTUAL SPENDING and ENCUMBRANCE ACTIVITY

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CONSTRUCTION PHASE											
Academic Classroom & Laboratory Complex - Summary	Substantial Completion/Programming	83,000,000	83,000,000	0	82,071,760	928,240	70,763,287	0	4,975,414	2,000	12,234,713 * See note below
STEM & Agricultural Sciences Complex - New Facility 20-378	Construction	200,000,000	224,000,000	36,000,000	138,000,000	50,000,000	163,317,313	20,000,000	40,682,687	48,475,933	12,206,754
University Student Housing Phase I 19-442	Construction	80,000,000	80,000,000	7,166,298	72,833,702		41,686,944	12,000,000	26,313,056	29,655,808	8,657,248
Lowder Hall - Academic Advising Suite Renovation 22-007	Construction	5,500,000	5,500,000	5,500,000			2,428,104	1,700,000	400,000	616,046	2,455,850 * See note below
Jordan-Hare Stadium - Provide A New Score & Video Board System 24-015	Construction	25,700,000	25,700,000	25,700,000			16,101,809	2,250,000	1,473,191	1,426,022	8,172,169 * See note below
Gogue Performing Arts Center - Outdoor Pavilion & Exterior Improvements 22-213	Construction	15,000,000	15,000,000	15,000,000			10,530,532	1,600,000	1,950,000	3,092,959	1,376,509 * See note below
Garden Pavilion - University Events Center 23-466	Construction	14,000,000	14,000,000	14,000,000			7,599,238	3,200,000	2,400,000	5,187,792	1,212,970 * See note below
Draughton Village Laundry - Convert Laundry Facility into Restrooms 23-158	Construction	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000			1,393,848	291,152	15,000	251,213	54,939
Athletics Complex Renovations for Sports Medicine - Summary	Construction	9,000,000	9,000,000	6,576,736	2,423,264	0	3,797,200	2,865,407	2,337,393	2,282,552	2,920,248
Neville Arena - New Practice Gym & Team Support Space Renovations	Construction	9,000,000	9,000,000	8,798,065	201,935	0	4,477,655	1,600,000	2,922,345	2,143,173	2,379,172

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Transformation Gardens - Garden Implementation (Phase I) 21-445	Construction	2,200,000	2,200,000	2,200,000			245,098	120,000	1,400,000	1,176,433	778,469	* See note below
Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station - New Building 22-258	Construction	14,000,000	14,000,000			14,000,000	1,001,378	250,000	12,748,622	11,413,100	1,585,522	
Comer Hall - Comprehensive Renovation 24-477	Construction	40,000,000	40,000,000		40,000,000		3,091,085	800,000	36,108,915	21,334,980	15,573,935	
Melton Student Center - Patio Renovation 24-347	Construction	3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000			362,362	1,337,849	1,249,789	1,841,744	795,894	* See note below
Total Construction			526,100,000	125,641,099	335,530,661	64,928,240	326,795,853	48,014,408	134,976,412	128,899,755	70,404,392	

ESTIMATED CASHFLOW MATRIX and ACTUAL SPENDING and ENCUMBRANCE ACTIVITY

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DESIGN PHASE											
Foy Hall - Relocate Campus Dining Kitchen To Existing Service Kitchen 23-264	Hold (design)	222,500	222,500	222,500			61,967	0	160,533	155,030	5,503
Quad Residence Halls Renovation Phase 3: Keller & Owen Halls 24-237	Design	1,838,000	1,838,000	1,838,000			996,431	150,000	691,569	343,573	497,996
CADC Rural Studio - Red Barn Comprehensive Renovation 24-348	Design	659,224	659,224	659,224			85,072	75,000	499,152	516,752	57,400
College of Human Sciences Academic & Research Facility - New Building 24-492	Design	4,892,173	4,892,173		4,892,173		190,014	150,000	4,552,159	4,339,198	362,961
Brown-Kopel Eng Student Achievement Ctr - Analytical, Innovation and Manufacturing Laboratory 24-079	Design	934,500	934,500	934,500			75,630	50,000	808,870	661,271	197,599
Total Design			8,546,397	3,654,224	4,892,173	0	1,409,114	425,000	6,712,283	6,015,824	1,121,459

ESTIMATED CASHFLOW MATRIX and ACTUAL SPENDING and ENCUMBRANCE ACTIVITY

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PLANNING PHASE											
Auburn University Regional Airport Maintenance Hangar Expansion 21-017	HOLD (Programming)	96,900	96,900	96,900			6,193	0	90,707	0	90,707
Vehicle Research and Innovation Lab, New Building 23-178	Hold/Programming	527,000	527,000			527,000	454,652	72,348	0	65,919	6,429
Solon Dixon Education Ctr - Dorm A & B Replacement 23-168	Design	79,192	79,192	79,192			10,000	69,192	0	59,943	9,249
Jordan-Hare Stadium - North Endzone Multi-Use Facility 24-493	Programming	11,000,000	11,000,000		11,000,000		264	250,000	10,749,736	1,025,192	9,974,544
Recreation and Wellness Sportsplex Complex New Support Building 24-552	Programming	150,000	150,000	150,000			0	150,000	0	107,600	42,400
Cambridge Residence Hall - Replacement 25-194	Programming	2,690,000	2,690,000		2,690,000		6,538	150,000	2,533,462	0	2,683,462
AG Research Unit (AAES) - Autaugaville, EV Smith, & Brewton, Build Offices 25-077	Programming	220,000	220,000	220,000			0	220,000	0	196,375	23,625
Total Planning			14,763,092	546,092	13,690,000	527,000	477,647	911,540	13,373,905	1,455,029	12,830,416

ESTIMATED CASHFLOW MATRIX and ACTUAL SPENDING and ENCUMBRANCE ACTIVITY


<i>Project Name</i>	<i>Project Phase</i>	<i>Original Approved Budget Amount</i>	<i>Current Approved Budget Amount</i>	<i>AU Funding (includes gifts/grants)</i>	<i>AU Bond Funding</i>	<i>Federal/ State or Local Funding</i>	<i>(B) Actual Spending to Date (across multiple years)</i>	<i>Estimated Spending Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2025</i>	<i>Estimated Spending Assuming Remainder of Budget for FY2026 & Forward</i>	<i>(C) Current Encumbrances Against Project</i>	<i>(A)-(B)-(C) Current Open Balance (Budget less Actuals and Encumbrances)</i>
Other Open Projects	Various Stages		99,176,935	82,931,291	13,391,122	2,854,522	37,834,316	3,407,923	57,934,696	27,451,216	33,891,402

GRAND TOTAL			794,286,424	259,907,429	428,435,615	105,943,380	501,845,780	57,949,980	215,679,097	167,512,670	124,927,973
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* On the lines with asterisks, the sum of the spending columns does not equal the current approved budget figure due to projects being executed under budget.

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

**QUARTERLY REPORT FOR PROJECTS COSTING MORE THAN \$500,000
BUT LESS THAN \$1,000,000 – 3rd QTR FISCAL YEAR 2025 (For Information Only)**

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following proposal be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property & Facilities Committee and included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

The Board of Trustees, at its meeting on April 11, 2014, adopted a resolution stipulating that all projects with a total cost in the range of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 be reported quarterly. The intent of this report is to keep the Property and Facilities Committee informed of those projects as they are occurring on campus. Consistent with standing policy, it is proposed that this report be submitted for information only.

Review and Consultation:

Projects initiated in the 3rd Quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 and costing more than \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000 are listed in the following table.

3rd Quarter FY 2025 Projects \$500,000 - \$1,000,000	Project Number	Account Number	Cost
AU Hotel & Dixon Conf Center - Renovate Laundry Room	23-390	924358-102048-P100	\$942,930
Miller Gorrie Center - Rms 325 & 327, Thesis Studio Upgrades	23-103	924241-102048-P100	\$833,971
Chemistry Building - Replace Roof & Sealant Repairs	23-677	924570-102048-P100	\$787,578
Samford Hall - Rm 206 & Suite 208, Build Out Walls	25-181	924822-102048-P100	\$681,948
Haley Center - College of Human Sciences Surge Planning	25-154	924826-102048-P100	\$651,750
Nursing Building - Room 2215, Renovate Into Office Space	25-284	924820-102048-P100	\$591,000
Biological Research Facility - Convert from Steam to Campus Hot Water System	24-678	924715-102048-P100	\$554,875

Rationale for Recommendation:


Consistent with standing policy, this report is submitted to the Board of Trustees through the Property & Facilities Committee for information at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, PRESIDENT

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior Vice President, Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: JIM CARROLL, Vice President, Facilities Management 

SUBJECT: PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

DATE: AUGUST 28, 2025

This memorandum requests the following information be presented to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee and included on the agenda at the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

Proposal:

It is proposed that a brief report regarding the status of Board of Trustees-approved capital projects be submitted, *for information only*, to the Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

Review and Consultation:

The responsibility of the Board of Trustees extends to the oversight of funding, planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of University buildings and facilities. Since a project can often take several years to execute, as it progresses through the planning, initiation, design, and construction phases of the project, this report is intended to continually inform the Board of Trustees of the status of previously approved projects.

CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS

PROJECT/PHASE

STATUS

Projects in the Planning Stage:

- Auburn University at Montgomery Locker Room

Initiation Approved

Initiated June 2025

Projects in the Design Stage:

- AU Airport Maintenance Hangar Addition (on hold)
- Ag Transformation Gardens – Phase 2:
Aquaculture Barn & Greenhouse
- Vehicle Research and Innovation Laboratory (on hold)
- Foy Hall Renovation – New Campus Dining Catering
Kitchen (on hold)
- Solon Dixon Dorm Replacement
- Brown-Kopel Engineering Student Achievement Center
Analytical, Innovation, and Manufacturing Laboratory
- Rural Studio Red Barn, Newbern, Alabama
Renovation and Repairs
- Barbara Drummond Thorne Academic and Research Facility¹
- Jordan-Hare Stadium North Endzone Multi-Use Addition
- Auburn University Regional Airport –
New Corporate Hangar at East Ramp
- Recreation and Wellness Sportsplex Complex –
New Support Building
- Alabama Agricultural Experiment Stations –
Outlying Units Support Buildings
- Cambridge Hall Comprehensive Renovation
- Central Dining Basement Build-Out for New Dining Venue

Initiation Approved

Initiated June 2021

Initiated September 2021

Initiated June 2023

Initiated August 2023

Initiated February 2024

Initiated June 2024

Initiated June 2024

Initiated September 2024

Initiated September 2024

Initiated February 2025

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Initiated April 2025

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Projects with Final Approval:

- Parker Hall Demolition (ACLC Phase 3)
- Gulf Coast Engineering Research Station – New Building
- Ag Transformation Gardens - Phase 1: Children's Garden
- Auburn University Airport Air Traffic Control Tower
- Spidle Hall Demolition
- Wire Road Sidewalk Grant

Final Approval

Approved February 2019

Approved November 2024

Approved February 2025

Approved June 2025

Approved June 2025

Approved June 2025

Projects in Construction Stage:

- STEM+AG Sciences Complex
- New University Student Housing
- Lowder Hall Advising Suite Renovation
- Jordan-Hare Stadium North Endzone Videoboard
- Gogue Performing Arts Center – Studio Theatre
and Amphitheatre Build-Out
- Reno of Space in the Athletics Complex for Sports Medicine

Final Approval

Approved February 2023

Approved August 2023

Approved November 2023

Approved June 2024

Approved June 2024

Approved September 2024

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| • Caroline Draughon Village (CDV) Laundry Facility | Approved September 2024 |
| • University Events Center Addition | Approved June 2024 |
| • Village Residence Halls Renovation, Phase IV - Plainsman Hall | Approved September 2024 |
| • Campus Store Refurbishment | Approved February 2025 |
| • Neville Arena – Team Support Improvements ² | Approved February 2025 |
| • Comer Hall Comprehensive Renovation | Approved April 2025 |
| • Melton Student Center Patio Renovation | Approved April 2025 |

Projects Recently Completed:

- College of Education Building
- Plainsman Park Improvements
- AUM Science Laboratory Facility Renovation
- North Auburn Equine Research Facility – Addition
- Quad Residence Halls Renovation – Phase 2:
Teague Hall and Little Hall
- Recreation and Wellness Center Renovation for
Health Promotion & Wellness Services

Final Approval

- Approved November 2022
- Approved February 2023
- Approved April 2023
- Approved June 2023
- Approved August 2023
- Approved April 2024

¹ Formerly referred to as College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility when approved by BOT in September 2024.

² Formerly referred to as Neville Arena – New Practice Gym when approved by BOT in February 2022.

**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1. Proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management (Vini Nathan)
2. Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – *For Information Only* (Vini Nathan)

Committee Chairperson: Ms. Elizabeth Huntley

Faculty Representative: Dr. Virginia Davis, Auburn University (ex-officio, non-voting)

Please Note: All trustees serve on all committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

PROPOSED MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGICAL AND AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the College of Agriculture offers undergraduate and graduate programs that prepare students for advanced study and professional careers in agricultural and biological systems, including a Bachelor of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Biosystems Engineering has a strong record of federally funded research and faculty expertise in precision agriculture, digital technologies, and systems engineering; and

WHEREAS, the agricultural and forestry industries, along with related sectors such as food processing, manufacturing, and automotive, continue to experience an increased demand for advanced professionals skilled in applying and managing advanced technologies; and

WHEREAS, the college proposes a new degree program, the Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management, to equip students with interdisciplinary skills in technology application, systems integration, and management within biological and agricultural contexts; and

WHEREAS, the proposed degree will support workforce development in Alabama and beyond, preparing graduates for roles such as precision agriculture technicians, project managers, operations managers, and technology specialists across multiple industries; and

WHEREAS, any resources required to establish the program will be funded by the college; and

WHEREAS, the request to create this degree has been endorsed by the Interim Dean of the College of Agriculture, the Graduate Council, the Provost, and the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Auburn University's Board of Trustees approve the proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management, and that the degree be submitted to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for review and approval.



AUBURN UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

MEMORANDUM TO: Christopher B. Roberts
President

FROM: Vini Nathan
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

SUBJECT: Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – Proposed Master of
Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management

DATE: August 4, 2025

I request that the following item be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for the September 12, 2025.

Proposal: The College of Agriculture proposes a new Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management (CIP 01.0106), effective fall 2026.

Review and Consultation: The faculty in the Department of Biosystems Engineering are proposing a new master's degree program that offers students advanced coursework and research in agricultural and biological systems, technology management, and applied sciences.


The department currently offers an undergraduate degree in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management and is proposing a graduate program to allow bachelor's degree recipients to continue their studies, as well as graduates from closely aligned programs in other majors. Graduates of the program will acquire advanced skills necessary to address current workforce needs related to the use, adoption, and management of technologies in agricultural, forestry, and related industries. With the projected increase in the global population, efficient technology use will be essential to meet the growing demands for food production, despite limited land and water resources. Agriculture and forestry are significant components of Alabama's economy, contributing approximately \$70 billion annually.


The proposed degree will equip the workforce with the necessary technology skills for future industries in both Alabama and neighboring states. Graduates will be prepared for various roles, including precision agriculture technicians, environmental engineering technicians, sales representatives, and project managers in the agriculture and forestry industries, as well as in food processing, automotive, and aerospace industries. The program is expected to enroll a minimum of five students per year, producing an average of four graduates annually over seven years. Any additional resources needed will be provided by the college. The proposed program will not duplicate any existing offerings within the state and will continue to support interdisciplinary research and instruction aligned with emerging industry needs.


Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management. The proposed degree has also received the approval of the College of Agriculture, the Graduate Council, and the Provost's Office. If approved, the proposed degree will be forwarded to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for review and approval.



TO: Dr. Vini Nathan
Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

THROUGH: Dr. George Flowers 
Dean, Graduate School

THROUGH: Dr. Arthur Appel 
Interim Dean, College of Agriculture

FROM: Dr. Oladiran Fasina 
Head, Department of Biosystems Engineering

DATE: June 4, 2025

SUBJECT: Proposed Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management

We request that the following proposal be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for their September 12, 2025, meeting. The preproposal for the program was approved by the Provost on December 3, 2024. In addition, the proposed program was reviewed and approved by the relevant curriculum committees (including the Graduate Council Curriculum Committee).

Program Description: The proposed program is a Master of Science in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management (BATM). The purpose of the program is to produce graduates that apply technology to solve real-world problems through research and coursework content that combines agricultural and biological systems with technology, management and applied sciences. Additional information about the proposed program can be found below:

Program Level: Master of Science
Degree Code: BATM
Degree Name: Biological and Agricultural Technology Management
CIP Code: 01.0106
SACSCOC Notification: Yes, because this is a new program

Justification for Program: Over the past five years, discussions with industry representatives and hiring managers, including the biosystems engineering advisory council, have revealed a pressing need in the agriculture and forestry sectors for innovative, hands-on problem solvers who are adept at managing the sophisticated technologies now commonly integrated into these sectors. Graduates of the proposed BATM M.S. degree program will be trained to address these needs because of their advanced understanding of technologies and how technologies are utilized to increase production efficiency, lower prices, reduce environmental and ecological impacts, and increase worker safety. Six of the students (total of 17) that graduated since the start of the bachelors BATM major (last three years) have pursued graduate degrees in other disciplines at Auburn University or have pursued graduate degrees in similar BATM majors at other institutions. These graduates expressed that they would have preferred to continue their graduate training in BATM with the Auburn Biosystems Engineering (BSEN) department. Also, there are students that received their bachelor's degree in agricultural and forestry undergraduate programs from Auburn and other

institutions that have expressed interest in the proposed BATM M.S. degree program. Lastly, in the last three years, the BSEN department has hired four tenure track faculty members and two lecturers that have expertise in developing technologies and in applying these technologies to agricultural and biological systems.

Need for the Program in the State of Alabama: Graduates with advanced BATM degrees will be crucial to addressing the workforce challenges that the agricultural, forestry, and related industry sectors face with the use, adoption and management of technologies. In addition, the projected increase in world population to more than 9.7 billion by 2050 will require the efficient and effective use of technologies in these industries especially because associated with this increase in world population is a 50% increase in food production even though there will not be changes in land and water resources. In Alabama, agriculture and forestry have significant impacts on the state. These two industries contribute about \$70 billion annually to the economy of the state - equivalent to 40% of Alabama GDP.

Graduates with an advanced BATM degree will contribute to the workforce in Alabama and the nation to develop, manage, adapt, and use technologies and sensors that will be part of the agricultural, forestry, and manufacturing industries of the future. While some peer land-grant universities in the Midwest, Northeast and West offer programs similar to the proposed BATM M.S. major, their graduates focus mostly on the needs of industries in those regions (e.g. forestry and poultry industries are not major industries in these regions as compared to in Alabama). There are no equivalent programs in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Florida and Louisiana. Thus, the proposed Auburn's BATM M.S. program would provide the workforce with the appropriate technology skills that are needed for current and future agricultural and forestry industries in Alabama and neighboring states. Auburn University BSEN department is the only program in Alabama that offers programs at the interface of agriculture/forestry, and engineering/technology.

Employment Opportunities: Graduates of the proposed BATM M.S. program are employed in occupations such as precision agriculture technicians, field representative, environmental engineering technician, and general engineering technician. They can also be employed as sales representatives and project managers in the agricultural and forestry industries. In addition, because program graduates possess transferable skills, the graduates can secure employment as test technician, operations manager, and manufacturing technology specialist in other industries such as food and meat processing companies, poultry integrator companies, and in automotive and manufacturing industries. In Alabama, there are four automotive manufacturing plants that produce nearly one (1) million vehicles every year, 200+ automotive suppliers and 300+ aerospace suppliers. In addition, Alabama ranks third (3rd) nationally in export dollars for motor vehicles. According to the Occupational Outlook Handbook of the Bureau of Labor Statistics (www.bls.gov), precision ag technicians (coded as part of Life and Physical Sciences Technician) is projected to grow 6-7% in the next ten years. The Alabama Department of Labor projects that the number of jobs in Alabama related to engineering and technology is estimated to rise from 29,380 in 2020 to 33,250 in 2030 (www2.labor.alabama.gov). Also, graduates of this proposed BATM M.S. program will be hired into management level positions. According to the Occupational Outlook Handbook of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, there were 838,140 openings for Management Analyst in the nation and about 4,000 similar positions in Alabama in 2023. Need for the management analysts is expected to increase by 11% over the next 10 years. There are other job opportunities for this emerging discipline for professionals that can use, manage, and apply technologies needed in ag and forestry systems, and every indication (workforce labor issues, need for increase in food production with less available resources) reinforces the need for this proposed program.

Student Demand/Enrollment Projections: Students will be recruited directly to this program through the recruiting programs at Auburn University, College of Agriculture, and individual research faculty. The proposed program is expected to produce average of four graduates per year for seven years. The corresponding enrollment during the seven-year period will be five students per year.

Resource Requirements: The BSEN department does not anticipate need for additional resources to support this program. There are at least six tenured/tenure-track faculty members (including the 4 faculty members hired by the BSEN department in the last three years) that will recruit graduate students into this program. The expertise of these faculty members (William Batchelor, Jeremiah Davis, John Linhoss, Sangha Rehman, and Simer Virk) lie at the interface of engineering and technology for agriculture and forestry systems, and are currently advising graduate students that are enrolled in other agriculture graduate programs because of the absence of this proposed program. There are many more potential graduate students that could have been working with these faculty members, but these students chose to find alternative programs outside of Alabama. Therefore, students recruited into this proposed program will be with faculty that have established research labs and research programs.

The BSEN department is not requesting new funds to support the proposed program. The students that enroll in the program will be supported by participating faculty in the biosystems engineering department through extramural grants. Because of the focus of the six faculty members in developing technologies and in applying these technologies to agricultural and biological systems, they have been successful in securing industry grants and grants from state agencies that support their research and extension programs. Examples of where these industry grants were secured from include commodity boards (e.g., Cotton Inc., Alabama Cotton Commission, Alabama Peanut Producers Association, Alabama Wheat and Feed Grain Producers Association, Alabama Soybean Producers Association, National Peanut Board), state agencies (ADEM, Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries), poultry and related companies/entities (e.g., Tyson, Aviagen, Cobb, U.S. Poultry and Egg Association, and ag production companies (e.g., Bayer CropScience, Agrasyst Inc., BASF, OCP, John Deere, Kubota, CAT, Progress Rail). We are confident that all the graduates from this proposed program in the next seven years can be supported by grants from industry/commodity boards/state agencies.

Relationship to Other Programs: There are five graduate level BATM courses that BSEN faculty routinely teach. Depending on the interest of the students in the program, students may take additional graduate courses offered in the College of Agriculture. There may also be need for students to take additional graduate courses offered by other colleges. The proposed program is not replacing existing programs and will not duplicate other programs in the state. The BSEN department is the only unit in the state that offers programs at the interface of agriculture/forestry and engineering/technology. Owing to this, collaboration with other institutions in the delivery of the proposed program will likely not occur. However, the BSEN discipline and the faculty have historically collaborated with colleagues and other programs on interdisciplinary research, instruction, and extension/outreach.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the proposed Master of Science Program in Biological and Agricultural Technology Management be approved by the Offices of the Provost and the President and forwarded to the Board of Trustees and the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for review and/or approval.

The MS in Biological & Agricultural Technology Management requires a minimum of 30 semester credit hours of graduate course work that includes up to 6 credit hours of thesis research. After completion of research, candidates for the MS must successfully defend a thesis. The specific requirements for the MS program are:

Code	Title	Hours
MS Biological & Agricultural Technology		
BSEN 7990	Research and Thesis	6
BATM 6120	Agri-Industrial Electronics and Controls	3
BSEN 7950	Seminar	1
Select 6 credits of other BATM courses (@6000-8999) *		6
Select 3 credits of Statistics of other related courses (@6000-8999) *		3
Select 6 credits of other Agriculture courses *		6
Select 5 credits of other courses (@6000-8999) *		5
Total Hours		30

*Specific courses are approved by student advisory committee. BSEN 7990 should be minimum of four credit hours and not more than 6 credit hours.



AUBURN UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

MEMORANDUM TO: Christopher B. Roberts
President

FROM: Vini Nathan
Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

SUBJECT: Information Items for the Board of Trustees

DATE: August 5, 2025

I request that the following information item be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for the September 12, 2025, meeting.

The following academic items have been approved for implementation by the Provost's Office. While they do not require formal approval from the Board of Trustees, they have received endorsement from the respective colleges, the University Curriculum Committee, the Graduate Council, and the Provost's Office. Following the Board of Trustees meeting, these items will be submitted to the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for the appropriate notifications.

New Graduate Certificate (1)

1. *Graduate Certificate in Rural Health, College of Nursing*

The College of Nursing has approved a nine-hour graduate certificate designed to address the distinct health challenges faced by rural communities. The program is centered on advancing healthcare through enhanced awareness, interdisciplinary collaboration, and a deeper understanding of rural healthcare systems. Through this certificate, students will gain the skills needed to navigate the complexities of rural care, serve the Alabama population, and deliver accessible, high-quality services. In its inaugural year, the program expects to enroll approximately 25 students and will work closely with the Rural Health Initiative and other health-focused programs across campus.

Change in Nomenclature (1)

1. *Renaming of the Center for Occupational Safety, Ergonomics, and Injury Prevention as the Human Systems Integration Center, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering*

The Samuel Ginn College of Engineering has approved renaming the Center for Occupational Safety, Ergonomics, and Injury Prevention to the Human Systems Integration Center. Originally established in 2017 by the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, the center has a strong legacy of federally supported research. In response to recent federal restructuring and a departmental shift toward a broader focus on human performance and systems engineering, the new name more accurately reflects the center's evolving academic and industry-aligned mission.



AUBURN UNIVERSITY

College of Nursing
Office of the Dean

TO: Dr. Vini Nathan
Provost & Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

THROUGH: Dr. George Flowers *George T. Flowers*
Dean, Graduate School

THROUGH: Dr. Gregg Newschwander *Gregg Newschwander*
Dean, College of Nursing

FROM: Caralise W. Hunt *Caralise W. Hunt*
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, College of Nursing

DATE: June 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Proposed Rural Health Certificate for graduate students

We request that the following proposal be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for their September 12, 2025, meeting.

Program Description:

The Rural Health Certificate curriculum is designed to address unique health challenges in rural communities. Students will gain knowledge of the impact of rurality on community health and health systems. Students will utilize curricular knowledge to generate positive changes in rural communities and health outcomes.

Justification for Program:

The Rural Health Certificate curriculum is designed to improve healthcare outcomes and access by equipping future professionals with the skills and knowledge needed to deliver effective care in rural settings. The program emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration and a deep understanding of rural healthcare systems. By addressing these critical aspects, we aim to empower our graduate students to navigate the complexities of rural healthcare, contribute to reducing health risks, and effectively serve the unique needs of rural populations. The curriculum fosters a deep appreciation for the unique complexities of rural populations and instills a commitment to providing accessible healthcare for all Alabamians and beyond.

Need for the Program in the State of Alabama:

A rural health curriculum offering with Auburn University provides significant benefits to students pursuing healthcare professions by equipping them with the specialized knowledge and skills necessary to address the unique challenges faced by rural communities. This curriculum provides an in-depth understanding of the various determinants affecting healthcare in rural areas, including factors like geographic isolation and limited access to specialized services. This knowledge enables graduate students to develop a heightened awareness, fostering a deeper appreciation for healthcare practices and patient perspectives in rural settings. Next, a rural health curriculum emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration and the ability to navigate resource constraints commonly found in rural healthcare systems. Students gain practical insights into working as part of a cohesive healthcare team, which is essential in overcoming workforce needs and delivering comprehensive care. Additionally, the curriculum will integrate training on telehealth technologies, preparing students to leverage virtual platforms to overcome geographical barriers and enhance healthcare accessibility for rural populations. Ultimately, exposure to a rural health curriculum not only broadens students' professional competencies, but also instills a sense of responsibility, motivating them to contribute to healthcare and improved outcomes across rural areas.

Employment Opportunities:

Students completing this rural health curriculum will embark on courses that extend beyond the walls of traditional classrooms. The rural health students will receive hands-on clinical experiences that forge resilience and resourcefulness in the face of limited resources. The certificate program will enable students from any healthcare focused major to address challenges faced by rural populations and become advocates for healthcare access.

Student Demand/Enrollment Projections:

We will seek students enrolled at Auburn and outside of Auburn who are pursuing graduate degrees in health-related fields including, but not limited to, nursing, pharmacy, medicine, child life, and nutrition. We project approximately 25 students in the first year and with continued advertising and word of mouth, at least a 10% increase each year.

Resource Requirements:

The resources for the curriculum courses include faculty time, travel, and rural health partnerships. Our current faculty resources are sufficient to begin the program and the revenue generated from increased enrollment will enable the addition of faculty with rural health specialty as needed.

Relationship to Other Programs:

The curriculum and this rural health program will be supported throughout the university. We have partnered with the Rural Health Initiative, other health-related colleges at Auburn University, and leaders around campus to initiate planning for identified courses and curriculum.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the proposed Rural Health Certificate program be approved by the Offices of the Provost and the President and forwarded to the Board of Trustees and the Alabama Commission on Higher Education for review and/or approval.



Rural Health Graduate Certificate Curriculum Model

FALL	SPRING	SUMMER
NURS 7100: Foundations of Rural Health (3)	NURS 7200: Population Health in Rural Communities (3)	NURS 7300: Rural Health Community Immersion and Project (3)

- Students must be currently enrolled in a health or health related graduate program of study or hold a graduate degree in a health or health related profession (Nursing, Psychology, Physical Therapy, medical doctors, veterinarians etc.)
- Courses are only offered and taught in the semester which they are listed.



AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Samuel Ginn College of Engineering
Industrial and Systems Engineering

July 21, 2025

Approved. 22 July 2025

Vini Nathan

TO: Dr. Vini Nathan, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

FROM: Dr. Greg Harris, Chair, Industrial & Systems Engineering *GH*

Dr. Mark Schall, Associate Chair, Industrial & Systems Engineering *MCS*

VIA: 1. Dr. Allan David, Associate Dean for Research, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering *AD*

2. Dr. Mario Eden, Dean, Samuel Ginn College of Engineering *ME*

SUBJECT: Changing the name of the Center for Occupational Safety, Ergonomics, & Injury Prevention at Auburn University

The Center for Occupational Safety, Ergonomics, and Injury Prevention at Auburn University was formally established in 2017 as a research center within the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering of the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering. This center is built upon a foundation of continuous extramural funding received since 1982 through a cooperative agreement with the University of Alabama at Birmingham, functioning as a National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Education Research Center.

In light of the recent reorganization of the federal government, including the integration of NIOSH into the new Administration for a Healthy America, along with recent changes in our department's hiring practices to emphasize a more comprehensive perspective on human performance and systems engineering, we believe it is appropriate to rebrand the center to better reflect the research and educational activities conducted by the faculty and students involved.

We propose changing the center's name to the **Human Systems Integration Center** at Auburn University. This proposal has already been discussed with Drs. Eden and David, both of whom have indicated their approval, as evidenced by their signatures above.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1. Approval of the FY 2026 Auburn University Budget (Kelli Shomaker)
2. Approval of Tuition and Fees for Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery for 2026-2027 Academic Year (Kelli Shomaker)
3. Approval of Auburn University Housing Main Campus and Auburn University at Montgomery Campus Rates for 2026-2027 Academic Year (Kelli Shomaker)
4. Approval of Auburn University Tiger Dining Rates for 2026-2027 Academic Year (Kelli Shomaker)
5. Approval of Lease and Financing Agreements (Kelli Shomaker)

<u>Committee Chairperson:</u>	Mr. Wayne Smith
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<u>Faculty Representatives:</u>	Dr. Kerry Inger, Auburn Univ. (ex-officio, non-voting)
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	Dr. William Lyle, AUM (ex-officio, non-voting)
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Please Note: All trustees serve on all committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF THE FY 2026 AUBURN UNIVERSITY BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University as follows:

Section 1. The operating budget for Auburn University covering current operating funds and auxiliary funds for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025, and ending September 30, 2026, as presented by the President, and approved by the Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees, be, and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. Nothing in said budget shall be accepted or construed to be legal obligations or liabilities against Auburn University. The amounts fixed in the components of the budget for the FY 2026 shall be understood to be the relative amounts to be paid or expended for those components in relationship to the funds and/or income of the University available for the support and maintenance of the University.

Section 3. The proposed expenditure amounts as set out in the budget are hereby approved and adopted and the President is authorized and empowered to enact such budget on October 1, 2025. The President is further authorized and empowered to effect routine adjustments to this budget as deemed necessary and appropriate.

Section 4. The Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees is requested and authorized to approve material adjustments in this budget as may be determined necessary and presented by the President.

Section 5. In order to manage the University's opportunities to refinance its outstanding General Fee Revenue Bonds and thereby reduce the University's overall debt service obligations as and when possible, the Authorization attached as Exhibit A is hereby approved and adopted as if set forth in full in this resolution.

FY 2026 BUDGET
FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY

[The budget will be provided prior to the board meeting]

EXHIBIT A

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY

WHEREAS, it is desirable and appropriate for Auburn University (the "University") to issue its General Fee Revenue Bonds from time to time for the purpose of refunding and paying certain of its prior outstanding bonds and long-term capital lease obligations and thereby achieving an overall interest expense savings to the University; and

WHEREAS, the University may also be able to achieve an overall interest expense savings by refunding and refinancing all or a portion of its outstanding bonds by purchasing all or a portion of the outstanding bonds through a tender offer (a "Tender Transaction") and/or exchanging all or a portion of the outstanding bonds for newly issued Bonds (as hereinafter defined) (the "Exchange Transaction"); and

WHEREAS, it may be necessary to issue Bonds for the purpose of paying the purchase price of outstanding bonds purchased through Tender Transactions, for the purpose of exchanging for outstanding bonds exchanged through Exchange Transactions, and for the purpose of paying costs of issuing the Bonds and accomplishing the Tender Transactions and Exchange Transactions; and

WHEREAS, in order to manage the University's refunding opportunities in the most efficient manner possible and to permit the University to take advantage of changing market conditions, it is desirable and appropriate to authorize the certain officers of the University to arrange for the issuance of refunding bonds, Tender Transactions and/or Exchange Transactions without further approval of the Board of Trustees, subject to the limitations expressed in this authorization.

THEREFORE, by virtue of the Resolution to which this Authorization is attached, the Board of Trustees hereby and thereby authorizes the following:

Section 1. Findings. (a) The following bonds of the University are currently outstanding:

- (i) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2014-A, dated July 24, 2014, issued under the Seventeenth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of July 1, 2014;
- (ii) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2016-A, dated August 17, 2016, issued under the Twentieth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of August 1, 2016;

- (iii) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2018-A dated June 21, 2018, issued under the Twenty-First Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of June 1, 2018;
- (iv) General Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020-A, dated March 18, 2020, issued under the Twenty-Second Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of March 1, 2020;
- (v) Taxable General Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2020-B, dated March 18, 2020, issued under the Twenty-Second Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of March 1, 2020;
- (vi) Taxable General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2020-C, dated July 29, 2020, issued under the Twenty-Third Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of July 1, 2020;
- (vii) General Fee Revenue Bond, Series 2021-A, dated May 5, 2021, issued under the Twenty-Fourth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of May 1, 2021;
- (viii) General Fee Revenue Refunding Bond, Series 2024-A, dated March 5, 2024, issued under the Twenty-Sixth Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated as of March 1, 2024;
- (ix) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2025-A, dated March 11, 2025, issued under the Twenty-Seventh Supplemental General Fee Indenture dated March 11, 2025 (the "Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture"); and
- (x) General Fee Revenue Bonds, Series 2025-B, dated March 11, 2025, issued under the Twenty-Seventh Supplemental Indenture.

The bonds described in (i) – (x) of this subsection (a) are herein referred to as the "Outstanding Bonds" under the General Fee Revenue Trust Indenture

(b) The University has outstanding the following long-term capital lease obligations that financed capital improvements for the University and are payable from funds of the University:

- (i) Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 (Auburn University Educational Complex Gulf Shores Project); and
- (ii) Revenue Bond (AU Research Facility Project), Series 2024.

The obligations of the University described in (i) – (ii) of this subsection (b) are herein referred to as the "Capital Lease Obligations".

Section 2. Authorization of Bonds. The University is hereby authorized to issue its revenue bonds for the purpose of refunding and retiring any or all of the Outstanding Bonds (including by way of a Tender Transaction and/or Exchange Transaction authorized in Section 3 below), and for the purpose of refunding and retiring any or all Capital Lease Obligations. The said bonds shall be issued under the terms, conditions and provisions set out in the General Fee Revenue Trust Indenture dated as of June 1, 1985 between the University and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as successor trustee (herein called the "Trustee"), as heretofore supplemented, and as further supplemented by the Supplemental General Fee Revenue Indentures (the "Supplemental General Fee Indentures") provided for in Section 7 of this authorization (the original General Fee Revenue Trust Indenture, as so supplemented being herein referred to as the "General Fee Revenue Indenture"). The bonds herein authorized (the "Bonds") may be issued at such time or times and in such series or subseries as may be most advantageous to the University, subject to the provisions of Section 13 of this authorization. The Outstanding Bonds and Capital Lease Obligations to be refunded (including, with respect to such Outstanding Bonds, by tender and/or exchange) by the Bonds are hereinafter referred to as the "Refunded Bonds."

All the provisions of the General Fee Revenue Indenture, as applicable to the Bonds, are hereby adopted as a part of this authorization as if set out at length herein.

Section 3. Authorization of Tender Transactions and Exchange Transactions. In furtherance of the Tender Transactions, the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University is hereby authorized to solicit offers to purchase from the owners of all or any portion of the Outstanding Bonds. In furtherance of the Exchange Transactions, the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University is hereby authorized to solicit offers to exchange from the owners of all or any portion of the Outstanding Bonds. The President and Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University are hereby authorized to execute all documents necessary for the solicitation of the purchase and/or exchange of the Outstanding Bonds and the Transactions.

All or any portion of the Outstanding Bonds may be purchased as part of a Tender Transaction and/or exchanged as part of an Exchange Transaction, if the Transactions undertaken would produce an aggregate net present value savings of at least three percent (3%) of the principal balance of the Outstanding Bonds being purchased and/or exchanged. In the event that such net present value savings threshold is met, Bonds are hereby authorized to be issued to accomplish the Tender Transaction and/or the Exchange Transaction with respect to the Outstanding Bonds. The President and Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University are each separately authorized to accept offers submitted from owners of Outstanding Bonds with respect to a Tender Transaction and/or an Exchange Transaction and to execute all documents necessary to complete the contemplated Transactions, subject to satisfaction of the conditions set forth in this Section 3 and in Section 13 hereof. Any such Outstanding Bonds purchased as part of a Tender Transaction or exchanged for Bonds as part of an Exchange Transaction shall be immediately cancelled.

Section 4. Bonds to be Issued as Additional Parity Bonds; Special Findings. The Bonds shall be issued as additional parity bonds under Article VIII of the General Fee Revenue Indenture.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 8.2(b) of the General Fee Revenue Indenture, the Board hereby finds and declares as follows:

(a) The University is not now in default under the General Fee Revenue Indenture and no such default is imminent.

(b) Bonds the interest on which is excludable from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation shall be designated "General Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series ____". If it is necessary and appropriate to issue a portion of the Bonds as bonds the interest on which is taxable for purposes of federal income taxation, such bonds shall be designated "Taxable General Fee Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series ____". The series designation shall be completed to reflect the calendar year in which the Bonds are issued and to provide any further identification of the Bonds as is appropriate, and may be further modified to indicate one or more subseries.

(c) The persons to whom the Bonds are to be delivered are set forth in Section 8 hereof.

(d) All of the Bonds, except for Bonds issued in connection with Exchange Transactions will be issued by sale in accordance with Section 8 hereof. The Bonds to be issued in connection with Exchange Transactions will be issued by exchange in accordance with Section 8 hereof.

(e) The sale and/or exchange price of the Bonds shall be as set forth in Sections 8 and 13 hereof.

(f) The only parity bonds that have previously been issued by the University under the General Fee Revenue Indenture and that are currently outstanding are those bonds listed in (i) – (x) of Section 1 above along with the supplemental indentures under which they were issued.

(g) The Refunded Bonds are to be refunded from proceeds of the Bonds, unspent proceeds, if any, from the Refunded Bonds, amounts on deposit in the funds or accounts of the Indenture referable to the Refunded Bonds, and Bonds issued in exchange for Refunded Bonds, subject to the determinations and conditions set forth in Section 13 hereof.

(h) The refunded Capital Lease Obligations are to be refunded from proceeds of the Bonds, unspent proceeds, if any, from the bonds issued in connection with such Capital Lease Obligations, amounts on deposit in the funds or accounts held for payment of such Capital Lease Obligations (or bonds referable to the same), subject to the determinations and conditions set forth in Section 13 hereof.

The Trustee is hereby requested to authenticate and deliver the Bonds to the purchaser or holder specified in Section 10 hereof upon payment of the purchase price designated therein or delivery of the Refunded Bond for exchange, as appropriate.

Section 5. Source of Payment of the Bonds. The principal of and the interest on the Bonds shall be payable from (i) the gross revenues from those general tuition fees levied against students at the Auburn, Alabama campus and the Montgomery, Alabama campus of the University that are more particularly described and referred to as "General Fees" in the General Fee Indenture; (ii) the gross revenues derived by the University from the operation of its housing and dining facilities located on the Auburn campus and on the Montgomery campus that are more particularly described and referred to as "Housing and Dining Revenues" in the General Fee Indenture; (iii) the gross revenues derived by the University from the operation of its athletics programs that are more particularly described and referred to as "Athletic Fee Revenues" in the General Fee Indenture; and (iv) the several student fees levied against students at the Auburn campus and the Montgomery campus that are more particularly described and referred to as the "Pledged Student Fees" in the General Fee Indenture. The said General Fees, Housing and Dining Revenues, Athletic Fee Revenues, and Pledged Student Fees are referred to herein as the "Pledged Revenues."

Nothing contained in this authorization, in the Bonds, in the General Fee Revenue Indenture, or in the supplemental indentures hereinafter authorized shall be deemed to impose any obligations on the University to pay the principal of or the interest on the Bonds except from the Pledged Revenues. Neither the Bonds, nor the pledge or any agreement contained in the General Fee Revenue Indenture, in any supplemental indenture or in this authorization, shall be or constitute an obligation of any nature whatsoever of the State of Alabama, and neither the Bonds nor any obligation arising from the aforesaid pledge or agreements shall be payable out of any moneys appropriated to the University by the State of Alabama. The agreements, covenants or representations contained in this authorization, in the Bonds, in the General Fee Revenue Indenture, and in any supplemental indenture do not and shall never constitute or give rise to any personal or pecuniary liability or charge against the general credit of the University, and in the event of a breach of any such agreement, covenant or representation, no personal or pecuniary liability or charge payable directly or indirectly from the general revenues of the University shall arise therefrom. Nothing contained in this section shall, however, relieve the University from the observance and performance of the several covenants and agreements on its part herein contained.

Section 6. Bonds Payable at Par. All remittances of principal of and interest on the Bonds to the holders thereof shall be made at par without any deduction for exchange or other costs, fees or expenses. The bank or banks at which the Bonds shall at any time be payable shall be considered by acceptance of their duties hereunder to have agreed that they will make or cause to be made remittances of principal of and interest on the Bonds, out of the moneys provided for that purpose, in bankable funds at par without any deduction for exchange or other cost, fees or expenses. The University will pay to such bank or banks all reasonable charges made and expenses incurred by them in making such remittances in bankable funds at par.

Section 7. Authorization of Supplemental Indentures. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University to approve, execute and deliver, for and in the name and behalf of the University, to the Trustee, a Supplemental General Fee Revenue Indenture

with respect to each series of the Bonds, and does hereby authorize and direct the Secretary of the Board to affix the official seal of the University to said Supplemental General Fee Revenue Indenture and to attest the same.

Section 8. Sale or Exchange of the Bonds. The Bonds may be sold as an underwritten public sale, or by a private placement with one or more banks or other qualified institutional purchasers, as determined under Section 13 hereof. If the Bonds are sold through an underwritten public sale, the Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University or the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University to approve, execute and deliver, for and in the name and behalf of the University, one or more Bond Purchase Agreements with respect to each series of Bonds between the University and an underwriter or underwriters (the "Underwriter") approved under Section 13 of this authorization. If the Bonds are sold by private placement, the Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University or the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University to approve, execute and deliver, for and in the name and behalf of the University, a Placement Agreement or similar document with the purchaser(s) of the Bonds approved under Section 13 of this resolution.

The Bonds may also be issued through exchange with the holders of Refunded Bonds upon terms approved pursuant to Section 13 hereof in connection with an Exchange Transaction. If the Bonds are issued through exchange, the Board does hereby authorize and direct the President or the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University to approve, execute and deliver, for and in the name and behalf of the University, such documents as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the issuance of Bonds by such exchange and the cancellation of the Refunded Bonds so received by the University in such exchange as approved under Section 13 hereof.

Section 9. Authorization of Official Statements. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the Underwriter and/or Professionals designated under Section 13 of this authorization to prepare and distribute, for and in the name and on behalf of the University, a Preliminary Official Statement and a final Official Statement with respect to each series of Bonds issued under this authorization. The Board does hereby further authorize and direct the President or the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the University, such final Official Statement(s) and does hereby declare that the Official Statement(s) so executed by the President or the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University shall be the Official Statement(s) of the University with respect to the Bonds covered by such Official Statement(s).

Section 10. Execution and Delivery of Bonds. The Board does hereby authorize and direct the President of the University to execute the Bonds, in the name and on behalf of the University, by causing his signature or a facsimile thereof to be placed or imprinted on the Bonds, and does hereby authorize and direct the Secretary of the Board to cause the official seal (or a facsimile thereof) of the University to be applied or imprinted on the Bonds and to attest the same by causing his signature or a facsimile thereof to be placed or imprinted on the Bonds, all in the manner provided in the General Fee Revenue Indenture. The President of the University is hereby further authorized and directed to deliver the Bonds, subsequent to their execution as provided herein to the Trustee, and to direct the Trustee to authenticate all the Bonds and to deliver them to

(i) in the case of Bonds issued by sale, the Underwriter or other purchaser, upon payment to the University of the purchase price therefor or (ii) in the case of Bonds issued by exchange, the holders of Refunded Bonds to be exchanged for Bonds in connection with an Exchange Transaction, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 8 and 13 hereof.

Section 11. Application of Proceeds. The entire proceeds derived by the University from the sale of the Bonds shall be paid to the Trustee under the General Fee Revenue Indenture. The Trustee is thereupon authorized and directed to apply and disburse such moneys for the purposes and in the order specified in the Supplemental General Fee Indentures.

Section 12. Redemption of Refunded Bonds; Authorization of Escrow Trust Agreement. Any series of Outstanding Bonds or Capital Lease Obligations to be refunded by the Bonds or any series of the Bonds shall be called for redemption on the first date permitted for the call and redemption of such Outstanding Bonds or for the payoff of such Capital Lease Obligations subsequent to the date of issuance of the Bonds, at and for a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of each bond so redeemed, plus accrued interest. The President and the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University are separately authorized to direct the Trustee to mail and/or publish notice of such redemption as required under the terms of the General Fee Revenue Indenture (and are also hereby directed to cause to be delivered and made such notice, if any, that may be required in connection with the refunding of any Capital Lease Obligations). Any such redemption notice mailed or published prior to the date of issuance of the Bonds shall provide that the call of the affected Refunded Bonds or Capital Lease Obligations for redemption is contingent upon the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

Pursuant to Section 6.1(a) of the General Fee Revenue Indenture, the Board hereby confirms that the University is not in default under said indenture.

The President of the University is hereby authorized to approve, execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of the University an Escrow Trust Agreement or Agreements, between the University and the Trustee, if necessary or desirable, with respect to each series of Refunded Bonds or refunded Capital Lease Obligations to provide for the escrow and investment of proceeds of the Bonds until the redemption date of the Refunded Bonds or Capital Lease Obligations.

Section 13. Authorization to Approve Certain Matters. The Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the University to authorize the issuance of the Bonds for the purposes described in this authorization and subject to the limitations of this authorization without a further meeting or approval of the Board. The Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University and the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board are hereby authorized:

(a) to determine when and if any Bonds shall be issued and to approve the schedule of issuance for each series of Bonds; provided that no Bonds shall be issued under the authority of this authorization after December 31, 2026;

(b) to approve the principal amount of the Bonds to be issued in each series and the designation of the Bonds as tax-exempt or taxable Bonds; provided

that the aggregate principal amount of each series of Bonds shall not exceed the amount necessary to accomplish the refunding and/or Transaction with respect to which they are issued (taking into account any original issue premium or discount) and the costs of issuing the Bonds, including, without limitation, among other costs, the payment of fees to Bond Counsel, the underwriters, the financial advisor, the information agent and/or the tender agent, other professionals engaged for a Tender Transaction or Exchange Transaction and other professionals engaged by or on behalf of the University, as necessary, to accomplish the issuance of the Bonds and the Transactions;

(c) to determine which of the Refunded Bonds or Capital Lease Obligations are to be refunded and redeemed by the Bonds; provided that any such refunding shall result in a minimum net present value savings of at least 3%; provided, further, that if the University enters into a forward delivery agreement providing the University an option to refund the Bonds (issued as taxable bonds) with a subsequent issue of tax-exempt bonds, the savings achieved may be calculated by assuming the University will exercise the option to refund the Bonds with the tax-exempt bonds provided for in the forward delivery agreement;

(d) to determine which of the Outstanding Bonds (if any) are to be refunded and retired by the Bonds in connection with a Tender Transaction and/or an Exchange Transaction; provided that any such transaction shall result in a minimum net present value savings as provided in Section 3 hereof;

(e) to determine whether the Bonds to be issued by sale are to be sold to the public or are to be privately placed with one or more banks or other institutions, and the terms of either form of sale;

(f) to approve the forms of Supplemental General Fee Indenture(s), Bond Purchase Contract(s) (if the Bonds are sold to the public), Placement Agreement (if the Bonds are privately placed with a bank or financial institution), Preliminary Official Statement(s), Official Statement(s), Forward Delivery Agreement(s) and Escrow Agreement(s) and all other documents to be delivered in connection with each series of Bonds and any related Tender Transaction or Exchange Transaction;

(g) to approve the final form and pricing details of each series of Bonds, including the interest rates to be borne by such Bonds, the principal maturities thereof and any original issue discount or premium with respect to the Bonds issued by sale and the terms of any Bonds issued by exchange, provided that the net interest cost of any series of Bonds shall not exceed 6%;

(h) to approve the expenses of issuing the Bonds and any related Tender Transaction and/or Exchange Transaction; and

(i) to take such other steps and to execute and approve such other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to cause the Bonds to be issued, sold and delivered consistent with the provisions of this authorization and the General Fee Revenue Indenture and to effect any Tender Transaction or Exchange Transaction in connection with the issuance of such Bonds.

The final approval by the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University and the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of the items listed above may be conclusively evidenced by a certificate signed by each of them and delivered at the time of issuance of the Bonds.

Section 14. Severability. The various provisions of this authorization are hereby declared to be severable. If any provision hereof shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect any other portion of this authorization.

Section 15. Designation of Professionals. The retention of PFM Financial Advisors LLC as financial advisor to the University, and the law firm of Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP, as bond counsel to the University, for the issuance of the Bonds are hereby authorized.

Section 16. General Authorization. The President of the University, the Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and CFO of the University, the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board, and the Secretary of the Board are hereby authorized to execute such further certifications or other documents and to take such other action as any of them may deem appropriate or necessary for the consummation of the matters covered by this authorization, to the end that the Bonds may be executed and delivered at the times and on the terms most advantageous to the University.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF TUITION AND FEES FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY AND AUBURN
UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY FOR 2026 – 2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

WHEREAS, student tuition and fees are the primary sources of unrestricted revenue for support of university programs and operations; and

WHEREAS, state appropriations are generous but alone are not sufficient to maintain the standards of quality instruction and other activities long associated with Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, one of the University's institutional goals is to maintain rates consistent with regional averages for peer institutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be serving as President, be and the same is hereby authorized, with the 2026 Fall Semester, to establish tuition and fee rates for Auburn University as shown in Exhibit 1 and for Auburn University at Montgomery as shown in Exhibit 2.

EXHIBIT 1
TUITION AND FEES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026 - 2027
FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY

[This exhibit will be provided at the board meeting]

EXHIBIT 2

TUITION AND FEES FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026 - 2027
FOR AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY

[This exhibit will be provided at the board meeting]




AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Office of the Senior Vice President for Business
and Administration and CFO

MEMORANDUM

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

FROM: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Sr. Vice President for Business and
Administration/CFO 

SUBJECT: TUITION AND FEES DISCUSSION FOR FALL 2026 FOR AUBURN
UNIVERSITY AND AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY


DATE: July 15, 2025


Please allow time at the September 12, 2025, meeting of the Board of Trustees, for the Finance Committee to discuss Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery's current tuition and student fee rates and proposed rates for Fall 2026.

Let me know if you have any questions.



To: Dr. Christopher Roberts
Auburn University President

Cc: Kelli Shomaker 
Auburn University CFO

From: Dr. Carl Stockton 
Auburn University at Montgomery Chancellor

Subject: Proposed Board Agenda Item
AUM Tuition Rates

Date: July 25, 2025

I am writing to request that the following item be presented to the Board of Trustees and included on the agenda of the meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

My request is to seek approval from the Board of Trustees to increase undergraduate and graduate tuition rates by 4% beginning with the Fall 2026 semester. This change would apply to both resident and nonresident tuition rates.

Enclosed is a comparative schedule of current tuition and fee rates for public four-year universities in the State of Alabama. AUM's resident undergraduate tuition and fee rates currently rank eighth among the fourteen institutions presented.

The proposed increase is intended to generate additional revenue in support of the University's strategic priorities. Specifically, the additional funding would be allocated to initiatives that advance student success, enhance the quality of academic and learning environments, and strengthen the University's ability to recruit and retain exceptional faculty and staff.

Alabama Commission on Higher Education
Annual Tuition and Required Fees Analysis^a
Alabama Public Four-Year Institutions
2024-25

Tuition Plus Required Fees

	Undergraduate		Graduate	
	Resident 2024-25	Non-Resident 2024-25	Resident 2024-25	Non-Resident 2024-25
University of Montevallo	\$ 13,948	\$ 26,968	\$ 11,916	\$ 26,532
Jacksonville State University	\$ 12,894	\$ 23,334	\$ 11,488	\$ 17,920
Auburn University	\$ 12,890	\$ 34,922	\$ 12,890	\$ 34,922
Troy University	\$ 12,720	\$ 25,440	\$ 11,400	\$ 22,800
University of Alabama	\$ 12,380	\$ 34,372	\$ 12,180	\$ 34,172
University of Alabama in Huntsville	\$ 12,132	\$ 26,408	\$ 12,388	\$ 28,270
University of South Alabama	\$ 12,060	\$ 23,280	\$ 12,240	\$ 23,760
Auburn University at Montgomery	\$ 12,010	\$ 25,720	\$ 12,028	\$ 25,924
University of North Alabama	\$ 12,000	\$ 22,200	\$ 13,320	\$ 25,200
University of Alabama at Birmingham	\$ 11,810	\$ 28,640	\$ 11,520	\$ 28,224
Alabama State University	\$ 11,248	\$ 19,576	\$ 12,808	\$ 22,696
University of West Alabama	\$ 10,990	\$ 20,090	\$ 9,284	\$ 18,188
Alabama A&M University	\$ 10,024	\$ 18,634	\$ 11,542	\$ 21,574
Athens State University	\$ 10,020	\$ 17,700	\$ 10,728	\$ 17,232

SOURCE: Alabama Commission on Higher Education Annual Tuition and Required Fees Schedule, sorted by undergraduate resident tuition and fees ranking.

NOTE: a. Tuition amounts are based on undergraduate load of 30 credit hours and graduate load of 24 credit hours, or a per term amount reported by the institution. Required fees include all fixed sum charges that are required of all students. Other specific surcharges and fees may be required for certain programs.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY HOUSING MAIN CAMPUS AND
AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY CAMPUS RATES FOR 2026-2027
ACADEMIC YEAR

WHEREAS, residence halls, operated by Auburn University Housing (AUH) and Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) are provided on the Auburn University main campus and Auburn University Montgomery's campus as a convenience and service to our undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, the administration regularly reviews housing operations to assure that it is responsive to student needs and that it continues to be fiscally sound and self-supporting; and

WHEREAS, AUH and AUM needs to increase reserves for deferred maintenance, increased debt retirement commitments, rising operational costs, anticipated renovations, programming, new construction, and other non-recurring expenditures; and

WHEREAS, AUH and AUM leadership has proposed a housing rate increase in response to those demands and these recommendations are endorsed by the President.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized to establish student housing rates for Auburn University main campus and Auburn University at Montgomery as shown in Exhibits A and B, with the new rates becoming effective in the 2026 fall semester.

EXHIBIT A

Auburn University Housing Proposed Semester Rental Rates Academic Year 2026-2027

<u>Area</u>	<u>Room Type</u>	<u>Approved 25-26 rate</u>	<u>Proposed 26-27 rate</u>
160 Ross	Double	\$ 5,710.00	\$ 6,700.00
	Quad	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 6,500.00
191 College	Double	\$ 6,820.00	\$ 7,230.00
	Quad	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 7,130.00
	Quad w/double occupancy	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 6,300.00
Hill	Single	\$ 4,460.00	\$ 4,500.00
	Double	\$ 3,570.00	\$ 3,600.00
Quad	Single	\$ 5,170.00	\$ 5,330.00
	Double	\$ 4,210.00	\$ 4,600.00
Quad(renovated)	Single	N/A	\$ 5,830.00
	Double	N/A	\$ 5,100.00
New Residence Hall		N/A	\$ 7,500.00
South Donahue	Single	\$ 6,880.00	\$ 7,130.00
	Double	\$ 6,770.00	\$ 7,130.00
	Double(Shared)	\$ 5,460.00	\$ 5,800.00
	Quad	\$ 6,770.00	\$ 6,980.00
Union	2 bedroom/2 bath	\$ 6,820.00	\$ 7,230.00
	3 bedroom/3 bath	\$ 6,820.00	\$ 7,230.00
	4 bedroom/4 bath	\$ 6,820.00	\$ 7,130.00
	5 bedroom/5 bath	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 6,850.00
	6 bedroom/6 bath	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 6,850.00
Village	Single	\$ 5,710.00	\$ 6,600.00
	Double	\$ 5,710.00	\$ 6,600.00
	Triple	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 6,380.00
	Quad	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 6,380.00

Prices indicated are per semester.

Summer Rate: (fall rate + spring rate)/3

Mini-mester Rate: (summer rate)/2

EXHIBIT B

Auburn University at Montgomery Housing
Proposed Semester Rental Rates
Academic Year 2026-2027

<u>Area</u>	<u>Room Type</u>	<u>Existing Rate</u>	<u>Proposed 26-27 Rate</u>
The Courtyards	Quad	\$ 1,920.00	\$ 1,980.00
The Courtyards	Double	\$ 2,340.00	\$ 2,410.00
The Courtyards	Private	\$ 4,220.00	\$ 4,350.00
The Commons	Quad	\$ 3,150.00	\$ 3,240.00
Warhawk Hall	Single	\$ 4,495.00	\$ 4,720.00
Warhawk Hall	Double	\$ 4,035.00	\$ 4,240.00
Warhawk Hall	Triple	\$ 3,585.00	\$ 3,760.00
P-40 Place	Double	\$ 4,080.00	\$ 4,280.00
P-40 Place	Double (shared)	\$ 2,655.00	\$ 2,790.00

Prices indicated are per semester.




AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Office of the Senior Vice President for Business
and Administration and CFO

MEMORANDUM

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

FROM: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Sr. Vice President for Business and
Administration/CFO 

SUBJECT: HOUSING RATE DISCUSSION FOR FALL 2026

DATE: July 15, 2025

Please allow time at the September 12, 2025, meeting of the Board of Trustees, for the Finance Committee to discuss Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery's current housing rates for Fall 2026.

Let me know if you have any questions.

MEMORANDUM

TO: DR. CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, AUBURN UNIVERSITY
PRESIDENT

THROUGH: KELLI SHOMAKER, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT, BUSINESS AND
ADMINISTRATION AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

THROUGH: DR. BOBBY WOODARD, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT *BW*
AFFAIRS

THROUGH: DR. BRYAN RUSH, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT OF CAMPUS *SBR*
LIVING

FROM: NYERERE TRYMAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UNIVERSITY *NT*
HOUSING

SUBJECT: HOUSING RENTAL RATES

DATE: 8/1/2025

For the 2026-27 academic year, Auburn University Housing (AUH) is proposing rates reflective of a comprehensive financial plan for capital asset management as it pertains to the Auburn University Housing communities and aims to establish adequate capital reserves for the following:

- Planned and unplanned maintenance for aging buildings and systems,
- Timely deferred maintenance schedules,
- Renewal, refurbishment, and functional improvements to existing assets, and
- Replacement of existing facilities.

This proposal also considers increases in annual operating costs including labor, utilities, maintenance and other expenditures. The result is a comprehensive capital asset management plan that meets current and future financial obligations for long-term stewardship and an Auburn University Housing (AUH) program that supports the needs of our students.

Regarding the targeted margin and methodology on what constitutes an adequate capital reserve account, the proposal herein aims to deposit 2% of the original construction cost annually into capital reserves. According to the National Association of College and University Business Officers, and as discussed with several SEC peers, Higher Education

organizations should establish a capital asset management plan that establishes an annual deposit of 2% to 4% of the original construction cost into reserves.

The proposed rental rates are based on AUH's commitment to sound fiscal management. As we continue planning for the future of campus housing, rental rates will play an essential role in ensuring financial self-sustainability. Collectively, the proposed rates will increase AUH's reserves and be allocated to better position AUH for any anticipated and unanticipated needs.

As AUH continues to enhance our facilities and the residential experience for our students, your careful consideration of this proposal is greatly appreciated. With your assistance, our department aspires to provide the best possible campus living experience for our students. We appreciate your time in reviewing this proposal. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.



**AUBURN UNIVERSITY
AT MONTGOMERY**

To: Dr. Christopher Roberts
Auburn University President

Cc: Kelli Shomaker
Auburn University CFO

From: Dr. Carl Stockton
Auburn University at Montgomery Chancellor

Subject: Proposed Board Agenda Item
AUM Housing Rental Rates

Date: July 25, 2025

I am writing to formally request the inclusion of the following item on the agenda for the upcoming Board of Trustees meeting scheduled for September 12, 2025.

I am seeking the Board's approval to implement a housing rate increase, effective beginning with the Fall 2026 semester as detailed on Exhibit B.

The proposal includes differential rate increases across the residence halls, with adjustments to The Courtyards and The Commons designed to maintain affordability and accessibility for our underclassman population. Concurrently, rate increases for Warhawk Hall and P-40 Place are intended to better align these apartment-style facilities with prevailing market rates for comparable housing in the Montgomery area. The overall weighted average impact of these adjustments is estimated at approximately \$135 per student, per semester.

The proposed rate adjustment is projected to generate approximately \$225,000 in additional annual revenue. These funds will support key strategic priorities within AUM Housing and Residence Life, including but not limited to:

- Ongoing maintenance and repair of aging facilities and infrastructure
- Escalating operational costs, including labor, materials, and essential services
- Renovation and enhancement of student common areas and amenities
- Expansion of student programming and engagement initiatives

This request to increase housing rates is only the second during my tenure at AUM. This adjustment is essential to maintaining the high quality of our residential services and ensuring a safe, supportive, and enriching on-campus living environment for our students.

AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY

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EXHIBIT B

Auburn University at Montgomery Housing
Proposed Semester Rental Rates
Academic Year 2026-2027

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF AUBURN UNIVERSITY TIGER DINING RATES FOR

2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

WHEREAS, dining facilities, operated by Aramark Corporation as contracted with Auburn University through Tiger Dining, are provided on the Auburn University main campus as a convenience and service to our students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the agreement between Auburn University and Aramark Corporation provides for reasonable price increases based on food and labor statistics provided by the USDA and the Department of Labor; and

WHEREAS, Auburn university wishes to support continuity of staffing in all dining facilities, keep food quality and consistency high and prevent the need for larger market adjustments that are jarring for consumers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Dr. Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized, to affect he proposed mandatory dining rates for Auburn University main campus,, to establish student dining rates for Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery, as displayed on Exhibit A to this resolution, with the new rates becoming effective in the 2026 fall semester.

EXHIBIT A
AUBURN UNIVERSITY DINING PLANS
ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027

<u>Plan</u>		<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>
Orange	5 BMs* Weekly + \$475 DB**	\$1,530	\$1,560
Blue	50 BMs* Semester + \$450 DB**	\$1,020	\$1,040
White	\$450 DB**	\$425	\$450

Prices indicated are per semester.

Orange: This plan is automatically assigned to first-time, first-year Auburn students.

Blue: This plan is automatically assigned to sophomores and above who live on campus.

White: This plan is automatically assigned to sophomores and above who live off campus.

*BM = Blocked Meals

**DB = Declining Balance



AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Office of the Senior Vice President for Business
and Administration and CFO

MEMORANDUM

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

FROM: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Sr. Vice President for Business and
Administration/CFO

SUBJECT: DINING RATES DISCUSSION FOR FALL 2026

DATE: July 15, 2025

Please allow time at the September 12, 2025, meeting of the Board of Trustees, for the Finance Committee to discuss Auburn University's current and proposed dining rates for Fall 2026.

Let me know if you have any questions.



MEMORANDUM

TO: DR. CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, AUBURN UNIVERSITY
PRESIDENT

THROUGH: KELLI SHOMAKER, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR BUSINESS
AND ADMINISTRATION AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

THROUGH: DR. BOBBY WOODARD, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT *BW*
AFFAIRS

THROUGH: DR. BRYAN RUSH, ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT *SBR*
AFFAIRS

FROM: GLENN LOUGHRIDGE, DIRECTOR OF TIGER DINING AND ~~XX~~
CONCESSIONS

SUBJECT: TIGER DINING MEAL PLAN RATES

DATE: 8/1/2025

For the 2026-2027 academic year, Auburn University Tiger Dining is proposing an average 2% rate increase on the meals portion of dining plans and a \$25 increase in declining balance, which is reflective of the current agreement with Aramark Corporation.

Auburn University is entering the seventh year of a ten-year food service agreement with Aramark. Section 17.2.A of the executed agreement states that Auburn will agree to grant reasonable price increases based on food and labor statistics provided by the USDA and Department of Labor respectively. The USDA's consumer price index for food cost predicts a 2.9% increase year over year for 2025 and the Bureau of Labor Statistics reports a 3.8% increase for food away from home.

This incremental increase will support continuity of staffing in all dining facilities, keep food quality and consistency high, and prevent the need for larger market adjustments that are jarring for consumers.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUBURN RESEARCH PARK APPROVALS RFID LABORATORY

APPROVAL OF LEASES, AGREEMENTS AND RELATED MATTERS

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2004, the Auburn University Board of Trustees (the "Trustees") approved establishment of a research park to support and advance the research mission of the University to be located on an area of campus of up to 156 acres (the "Park"); and

WHEREAS, also in October 2004, the Trustees approved that all land within the Park shall be subject to the Declaration of Protective Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Reservations and Easements for the Auburn Research Park, filed on March 12, 2007 (as amended on July 10, 2013), which has been recorded with the Lee County Probate Court; and

WHEREAS, in September 2018, the Trustees acknowledged and reiterated a metes and bounds survey defining the precise boundaries of the Park consisting of approximately 171 acres, expanded to include property for the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine; and

WHEREAS, the Auburn Research and Technology Foundation ("ARTF") seeks to build and operate a combined Research Facility with potential for additional adjacent development, all of which was laid out and approved by resolution of the Trustees adopted in September 6, 2024, during which meeting the Trustees approved a ground lease from the University to ARTF for the Project (the "ARTF Ground Lease"), such facility to be built, directly, through an ARTF affiliate, or in combination with other entities including without limitation The Industrial Development Board of the City of Auburn ("Auburn IDB"); and

WHEREAS, in order to obtain a loan (the "Loan") to construct and develop the Project, it will be necessary that a financing agreement, various leases, and other agreements be entered by the University under which the University agrees, among other things, to pay amounts necessary to timely pay principal and interest on the Loan and to maintain and operate the Project, along with other obligations that may be required or otherwise necessary to obtain the Loan and develop the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Leadership of the University recommends the Trustees authorize and approve various leases, documents, and agreements that will be necessary for Auburn University to enter for Auburn IDB to secure the Loan for the Project and the overall development and operation of the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Trustees hereby authorize the President and the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, or either of them, to execute and deliver, for and in the name of the University, an agreement (a "Financing Agreement") with ARTF, The Industrial Development Board of the City of Auburn, and/or other parties, and the lender or lenders for the Loan, under which the terms of the Loan are memorialized and agreed to; provided that the following parameters are satisfied (the "Financial Parameters"):

(a) the maximum principal amount of the Loan is not greater than **twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000)**,

(b) the Loan bears interest at a rate which (I) if fixed at the time of the Loan closing does not exceed 7.50%, (II) if to be fixed at a future date, such fixed rate is calculated using a base index equal to the ten-year rate for United States treasuries published by the Wall Street Journal, any other clearly identifiable published index (e.g., SOFR, PRIME Rate, similar treasury securities, etc.), or such other index as shall be proposed by the lender and acceptable to the President and the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, or either of them, plus such number of basis points that in no event exceeds 300 basis points, or (III) during such times as interest may be calculated at a variable rate, such variable rate is based on the Prime Rate as published by the Wall Street Journal, any other clearly identifiable published index (e.g., SOFR, PRIME Rate, similar term treasury securities, etc.), or such other index as shall be required by the lender and acceptable to the President and the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, or either of them, plus such number of basis points that in no event exceeds 300 basis points,

(c) payments of principal on the Loan are made over a term that does not exceed thirty years,

(d) the average life of the Loan is not longer than thirty years, and

(e) the lender for the Loan is a financial institution or financial institutions as shall be acceptable to the President and the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, or either of them;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Trustees hereby authorize the President and the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, or either of them, to execute and deliver, for and in the name of the University, (i) a project lease, project sublease, and/or similar agreements under which the University has the right to use portions of the Project and in exchange agrees to make rental payments equal to maturing installments of debt service on the Loan, plus amounts necessary to maintain and operate the project and other amounts agreed to by the President and the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer, or either of them (the "Project Use Agreement") and with such unconditional promises to pay, and/or pledges of University funds or revenues for payment of, the portion of rent tied to maturing principal and interest on the Loan as shall be determined by the President or the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, or either of them, (ii) such other agreements, including without limitation a negative pledge agreement and an assignment agreement, as shall be necessary or desirable in connection with the Loan, the Financing Agreement, and the Project Use Agreement, or any of them, and in order to achieve the financing of the Project (such other agreements, collectively with the ARTF Ground Lease, the Financing Agreement, and the Project Use Agreement, the "University Agreements"), and (iii) agreements of the University for the management of the Project and/or other projects within the Park; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the University Agreements shall contain such terms and provisions as shall be deemed acceptable by the President, the Senior Vice President for Business and Administration & Chief Financial Officer of the University, and the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board; provided, the Financial Parameters are satisfied and all University Agreements shall be reviewed as to form by the General Counsel and Senior Vice President for Legal Affairs of the University, and that the Secretary of the Board is authorized to affix the official seal of the University to all University Agreements and documents herein authorized and to attest the said seal and any and all signatures; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees hereby declares that the Project, including the ARTF Ground Lease and all leases, subleases and similar arrangements by the University of portions of the Project for purposes of promoting activities conducted therein, are for institution-related purposes designed to enhance the operation of the University, and are hereby declared to be in the best interest of the University.



FACILITIES MANAGEMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHRISTOPHER B. ROBERTS, President

THROUGH: KELLI D. SHOMAKER, Senior V.P. Business and Administration and Chief Financial Officer

FROM: STEVEN TAYLOR, SENIOR V.P. RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
MARK STIRLING, Director of Real Estate *Mark Stirling*

SUBJECT: FINANCE COMMITTEE

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY RFID LABORATORY AUBURN, ALABAMA.
APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENTS, FINANCING AND ADVANCE
AGREEMENT, AND RELATED AGREEMENTS**

DATE: AUGUST 8, 2025

I am writing to request that the following item be added to the Board of Trustees' agenda for consideration at the **September 12, 2025** meeting.

Proposal:

It is requested that approval of a Loan, a Sublease, a Financing Agreement, and other documents with and among Auburn Research and Technology Foundation, Industrial Development Board of the City of Auburn, and the University for a new Auburn University RFID Laboratory in AU Research Park be submitted to the Board of Trustees for approval through the Finance Committee.

Review and Consultation:

Auburn University's 2024 Strategic Plan outlines key goals and commitments designed to increase Auburn University's research-based educational programming. As indicated in the plan, Auburn's academic, research, outreach and extension activities continue to provide valuable resources to the state in the form of interdisciplinary activities and unique community partnerships.

In September, 2024 Auburn University Board of Trustees approved the ground lease of acreage in Research Park to the Auburn Research and Technology Foundation ("ARTF") to accommodate a project to construct a new facility for the RFID Laboratory, which is part of the Harbert College of Business. The Industrial Development Board of the City of Auburn (the "Auburn IDB") has actively worked with ARTF to locate a site and develop a building to lease to ARTF for the RFID Laboratory. ARTF will, in turn, sublease the building to AU (and operate the building for AU).

Similar to facilities Auburn University has leased from the City of Huntsville Industrial Development Board, the Auburn IDB will finance and develop the new research facility on a parcel of real property leased to ARTF (the "Project Site"). Under a Financing and Advance Agreement between Auburn University, ARTF, the Auburn IDB, and such lender or lenders (the "Lender") as determined by the University to be the lender for the RFID Laboratory, the Lender would advance funds, up to approximately **twenty-five million dollars (\$25,000,000)** (the "Loan") to the Auburn IDB, to cover the costs of developing, and constructing the new research facility (such facility, the "Project"). Auburn IDB will lease the Project to ARTF under a Lease Agreement (the "Lease") between it and ARTF, which Project would then be subleased by ARTF to Auburn University under an agreement (the "Sublease") between ARTF and Auburn University. The final amount of the Loan will be determined upon completion and bidding of the

construction documents. Per the Sublease, there would be an unconditional obligation of Auburn University to make basic rental payments equal to maturing installments of principal and interest on the Loan owed to the Lender ("Basic Rent Payments"). As evidence of the obligation to pay principal and interest on the Loan, the Auburn IDB would issue a limited obligation revenue bond to the Lender payable solely out of Basic Rent Payments. ARTF will assign the Basic Rent Payments made by Auburn University to the IDB during the term of the revenue bond. Auburn University would also be obligated to ARTF for payment and performance of all other obligations respecting the Project, such as maintenance, operational costs, insurance costs, etc. At no time would the Auburn IDB have any obligation to make payments on the Loan. The sole source of payment and collateral for the Loan would be Basic Rent Payments made by Auburn University through ARTF under the Sublease.

During the construction period, the Loan would bear interest at a variable rate. Following that construction period, the total of all advances (representing principal on the Loan) would be payable, along with interest calculated at a fixed rate, for a period of approximately ten (10) years. Such payments would be made on a monthly basis. At such time as all principal and interest on the Loan has been paid (*i.e.*, through Basic Rent Payments made by Auburn University under the Sublease), then Auburn University would no longer be required to make Basic Lease Payments, and would continue to have certain rights to sublease the Project, or portions of it, from ARTF per the terms of the Sublease.

Recommendation:

We request that the Board of Trustees of Auburn University authorize and empower Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such person as may be acting as President be and the same, to take such action as is necessary and desirable to complete the leasing of a facility in the AU Research Park from ARTF to be used by the Auburn University RFID Laboratory, including approval of the Lease, the Sublease, the Financing and Advance Agreement and all other documents and instruments in connection therewith. All documents consummating the Financing and Advance Agreement, the Lease, the Sublease, and the other instruments and agreement shall be reviewed, as to form, by General Counsel for Auburn University.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

1. Proposed Awards and Namings (Bob Dumas)

<u>Committee Chairperson:</u>	Mr. Bob Dumas
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<u>Committee Members:</u>	Mr. Michael DeMaioribus
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Mr. Jimmy Rane

Mr. Quentin Riggins

President *Pro Tempore* Jimmy Sanford

Mr. Wayne Smith

Mr. Tim Vines

**PROPOSED AWARDS AND NAMINGS
SEPTEMBER 12, 2025 BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Time will be allotted for any discussion of a list of proposed awards and namings.

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the June 6, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees have been distributed to all members of this Board for review; and

WHEREAS, the members have reviewed the minutes and determined that they constitute a true and correct recitation of the business of the respective meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the minutes of the June 6, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees are hereby approved as distributed.

MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF
AUBURN UNIVERSITY

JUNE 6, 2025

**SCHEDULE AND AGENDA
JUNE 6, 2025 ANNUAL BOARD MEETING
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

I. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

II. Committee Meetings

A. Property and Facilities Committee | Chairperson DeMaioribus

Project Approvals:

1. Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower, Final Approval
(Jim Carroll/Bill Hutto)
2. Central Dining Build-Out for New Dining Venue, Architect Selection
(Jim Carroll/Bobby Woodard)
3. Auburn University at Montgomery Locker Room, Project Initiation
(Jim Carroll/Carl Stockton)
4. Spidle Hall Demolition, Project Approval and Authority to Execute (Jim Carroll)
5. Wire Road Sidewalk Grant, Project Approval and Authority to Execute
(Jim Carroll/Bobby Woodard)

Informational Reports:

6. Annual Report of Real Estate Holdings – *For Information Only* (Mark Stirling)
7. Annual Report of Timber Harvest Revenue – *For Information Only* (Mark Stirling)
8. Status Updates – *For Information Only* (Jim Carroll)
 - a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater
 - b. Project Status Report

B. Academic Affairs Committee | Chairperson Huntley

1. Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – *For Information Only* (Vini Nathan)

C. Finance Committee | Chairperson W. Smith

1. Fiscal Year 2026 Budget – *For Information Only* (Kelli Shomaker)

D. Audit and Compliance Committee | Chairperson Ainsworth

1. Approval of Independent Auditors for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025
(Kelli Shomaker/Ryan McIntire)
2. Receipt of the 2024-2025 Code of Ethics Compliance Documents – *For Information Only*
(Billy Ainsworth)

E. Institutional Advancement Committee | Chairperson Woltosz

1. Auburn University Endowment Portfolio Update – *For Information Only*
(Beth Stukes/Greg DeSisto)

F. Executive Committee | Chairperson Dumas

1. Election of the President *Pro Tempore* (Bob Dumas)
2. Proposed Awards and Namings (Bob Dumas)
3. Presidential Assessment – *For Information Only* (Quentin Riggins)

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IV. Proposed Executive Session

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1. Approval of the Minutes of the April 3, 2025 Board Meeting
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4. President's Report
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A. Property and Facilities Committee

1. Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower, Final Approval
2. Central Dining Build-Out for New Dining Venue, Architect Selection
3. Auburn University at Montgomery Locker Room, Project Initiation

4. Spidle Hall Demolition, Project Approval and Authority to Execute
5. Wire Road Sidewalk Grant, Project Approval and Authority to Execute

B. Audit and Compliance Committee

1. Approval of Independent Auditors for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025

C. Executive Committee

1. Election of the President *Pro Tempore*
2. Proposed Awards and Namings

VI. Recess Meeting

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins convened an annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Auburn University on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins then called upon Board Secretary Waggoner to call the roll. The following voting board members were deemed to be in attendance:

Ms. Caroline M. Aderholt; Mr. William P. Ainsworth; Mr. Michael A. DeMaioribus; Mr. Robert W. Dumas; Ms. Elizabeth H. Huntley; Mr. James W. Rane; Mr. Quentin P. Riggins; Mr. B.T. Roberts; Mr. M. Clark Sahlie; Mr. James H. Sanford; Mr. Wayne T. Smith; Mr. Zeke W. Smith; Mr. Timothy Vines; and Mr. Walter S. Woltosz.

Governor Kay Ivey, President of the Board; and Mr. James R. Pratt, III were absent from the meeting.

The individuals listed above represent all persons recognized as voting board members at the time of the meeting.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins welcomed those serving on the Board ex officio as follows: Dr. Lori Eckhardt, Faculty Advisor to the Board of Trustees from the Auburn University campus; Dr. Gil Duenas, Faculty Advisor to the Board of Trustees from the Auburn University at Montgomery campus; Mr. Owen Beaverstock, President of the Auburn University Student Government Association; and Mr. Samuel Alford, the President of the Auburn University at Montgomery Student Government Association.

Also sitting with the Board were the following persons: Dr. Christopher B. Roberts, Auburn University President; and Mr. Jon G. Waggoner, Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

The following persons were also in attendance at the meeting: Dr. Vini Nathan, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs; Ms. Kelli Shomaker, Senior Vice President for Business & Administration and Chief Financial Officer; Dr. Bobby Woodard, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs; Ms. Jaime Hammer, Senior Vice President for Legal Affairs and General Counsel; Mr. Jim Carroll, Vice President for Facilities Management; Dr. Carl Stockton, Chancellor of AUM; Mr. Mark Stirling; Director of Auburn University Real Estate; Dr. Joffrey Gaymon, Vice President for Enrollment; Dr. Jared White, Vice President for Governmental Affairs; Mr. Jim O'Connor, Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer; and Dr. Jennifer Adams, Executive Director of Public Relations.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins welcomed the following persons that serve Auburn University and AUM in various capacities: Dr. Virginia Davis, Academic Affairs Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Kira Bowen, Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Kimberly Pyszka, AUM Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Kerry Inger, Finance Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. William Lyle, Finance Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Jason Bryant, Institutional Advancement Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Lauren Redden, Property and Facilities Committee Faculty Representative; Dr. Karen Hopkins, Student Affairs Faculty Representative; Dr. Paul Fox, Student

Affairs Faculty Representative; Mr. Thomas Sawyer, Chair of the Auburn University Administrative & Professional Assembly; Ms. Kimberly McCadden, Chair of the Auburn University Staff Council; Ms. Susan Cashwell, President of the AUM Faculty Senate; Ms. Amy Ingram, President of the AUM Staff Council; Ms. Beth Stukes, Chair of the Auburn University Foundation Board of Directors; Mr. Jeffery Moore, President of the Auburn Alumni Association; and Ms. Ester Akinrinde, President of the Graduate Student Council.

The Board then met in various committees, each discussing the items which would later appear on the Reconvened Board Meeting Agenda, as follows:

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 8:35 A.M.**

Chairperson DeMaioribus convened a meeting of the Property and Facilities Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 8:35 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson DeMaioribus called upon Mr. Carroll for discussion of the following Property and Facilities Committee agenda items:

1. Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower, Final Approval

Mr. Carroll reported that the Auburn University Regional Airport proposed the construction of an air traffic control tower due to the increase in take-offs and landings (operations) experienced in recent years. He stated that the higher operational tempo driven by the Auburn University Professional Flight program, the Air Transportation Department, non-university aircraft that are based at the airport, and daily transient traffic necessitate increased control over aircraft using the airport and its associated airspace. He explained that the air traffic control tower will provide the essential coordination between incoming and departing traffic, enhancing airspace safety and efficiency.

Mr. Carroll indicated that the estimated total project cost is \$9.0 million, to be financed by a combination of federal and state grants and university and local funds.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution providing final approval of the project.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Rane. The motion was seconded by Ms. Huntley, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

2. Central Dining Build-Out for New Dining Venue, Architect Selection

Mr. Carroll reported that Student Affairs proposed the renovation of the Central Dining Commons to fit out approximately 2,400 square feet of shell space on the ground floor of the facility completed in 2021. He shared that the new dining venue will enable Campus Dining to better serve campus and the student body.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution providing approval of the selection of McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture of Atlanta, Georgia as architect for the project.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Roberts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dumas, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

3. Auburn University at Montgomery Locker Room, Project Initiation

Mr. Carroll reported that Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) has proposed the construction of a new single story, 14,000 gross square foot Locker Room facility to provide satellite locker rooms, administrative space, laundry facilities, and a multi-purpose recruiting area. He explained that the project will enable AUM Athletics to provide appropriate facilities for multiple athletics teams including the women's and men's soccer, women's softball, and others.

Mr. Carroll indicated that the project will be financed by Auburn University at Montgomery.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution providing approval of the project and authorizing the commencement of the architect selection process.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Z. Smith. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vines, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

4. Spidle Hall Demolition, Project Approval and Authority to Execute

Mr. Carroll reported that the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution on September 6, 2024 that approved the initiation of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility project; and on November 15, 2024, approved Perkins & Will of Atlanta, Georgia as the project architect. He stated that the academic and administrative functions within the College of Human Sciences will be temporarily relocated from Spidle Hall to space vacated by the College of Education in the Haley Center, until the completion of the new College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility.

H explained that the proposed project will demolish Spidle Hall, which is expected to start in fall 2025 and be completed by winter 2026.

Mr. Carroll indicated that the estimated total project cost is \$2.7 million, to be financed by University funds.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution approving the project and providing authorization to execute the work.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Dumas. The motion was seconded by Ms. Huntley, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

5. Wire Road Sidewalk Grant, Project Approval and Authority to Execute

Mr. Carroll reported that Facilities Management and Student Affairs propose the construction of a sidewalk along Wire Road from Lem Morrison Drive to West Samford Avenue. He stated that the initiative to add a sidewalk along this segment of Wire Road was sponsored by the Student Government Association and will provide an important pedestrian connection and safety enhancement for the campus and community. He remarked that the scheduled for the project is anticipated to begin construction following the fall 2025 semester.

Mr. Carroll indicated that the estimated total project cost is \$1.5 million, to be financed by a grant received from the Alabama Department of Transportation and University reserve funds.

Mr. Carroll stated that the request before the Board of Trustees is to adopt a resolution approving the initiation of the project and authorizing the commencement of the architect selection process.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Z. Smith. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sahlie, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

6. Annual Report of Real Estate Holdings – *For Information Only*

Mr. Carroll then stated that Board of Trustees policies require that a listing of property owned by Auburn University be submitted to the Board for its information and review each year at its annual meeting. He reported that the summary of real estate holdings, including changes since June 2024, is included in the meeting materials.

Mr. Carroll shared that this item is included for information only and does not require a vote.

7. Annual Report of Timber Harvest Revenue – *For Information Only*

Mr. Carroll then stated that Board of Trustees policies require that a summary report of timber harvest revenue be provided to the Board for its information and review each year at its annual meeting. He indicated that the summary report, including changes since June 2024, is included in the meeting materials.

Mr. Carroll shared that this item is included for information only and does not require a vote.

8. Status Updates – *For Information Only*

Mr. Carroll presented the following items to the Board:

- a. Current Status of New Construction/Renovation/Infrastructure Projects with Budgets of \$1,000,000 and Greater**
- b. Project Status Report**

Mr. Carroll shared that this item is included for information only and does not require a vote.

Chairperson DeMaioribus thanked Mr. Carroll for his reports, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 8:50 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 8:50 A.M.**

Chairperson Huntley convened a meeting of the Academic Affairs Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 8:50 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Huntley called upon Dr. Nathan for discussion of the single Academic Affairs Committee agenda item.

1. Agenda Item for the Board of Trustees – *For Information Only*

Dr. Nathan shared the following updates regarding changes in degree program nomenclature:

Renaming of the Applied Discrete Mathematics Option to the Applied Mathematics – Data Science Option, College of Sciences and Mathematics

Renaming the Bachelor of Science in Geospatial and Environmental Informatics to the Bachelor of Science in Geospatial Information Science, College of Forestry, Wildlife and Environment

Renaming of the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences – Interdisciplinary Health Sciences to the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences – Health Sciences, College of Sciences and Mathematics

Renaming of the PhD in Rehabilitation and Special Education to the PhD Special Education, College of Education

Dr. Nathan indicated that the item is included for information only and does not require a vote.

Chairperson Huntley thanked Dr. Nathan for her report, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 8:55 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 8:55 A.M.**

Chairperson W. Smith convened a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 8:55 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson W. Smith called upon Ms. Shomaker for discussion of the single Finance Committee's agenda item.

1. Fiscal Year 2026 Budget – *For Information Only*

Ms. Shomaker presented an information-only report regarding the Fiscal Year 2026 budget.

Ms. Shomaker indicated that this item is included for information only and does not require a vote.

Chairperson W. Smith thanked Ms. Shomaker for her report, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 9:00 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 9:00 A.M.**

Chairperson Vines convened a meeting of the Audit and Compliance Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Ainsworth called upon Ms. Shomaker for discussion of the first Audit and Compliance Committee agenda item.

1. Approval of Independent Auditors for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2025

Ms. Shomaker stated that the *Selection of External Auditors* policy requires the Board of Trustees to approve external auditors to review the internal audit process completed by Auburn University. Ms. Shomaker reported that Auburn University management recommends maintaining its current external auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC).

Subsequently, Ms. Shomaker introduced representatives from PwC who presented the Auburn University Fiscal Year 2025 Audit Plan.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Vines. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dumas, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

Chairperson Ainsworth thanked Ms. Shomaker for her report and then discussed the second and final Audit and Compliance Committee agenda item.

2. Receipt of the 2024-2025 Code of Ethics Compliance Documents – *For Information Only*

Chairperson Ainsworth explained that, in accordance with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC)'s *Principles of Accreditation*, it is required that the presiding officer of the Board of Trustees be unencumbered by any contractual, employment, personal, familial, or financially related interests with Auburn University. Chairperson Ainsworth stated that in addition, a majority of voting board members must also be unencumbered by such interests.

Chairperson Ainsworth reported that the Audit and Compliance Committee, the General Counsel, and the Board Secretary have reviewed the completed documents and determined that the Board is in compliance with SACSCOC's standards.

Chairperson Ainsworth indicated that this item is included for information only and does not require a vote.

With there being no further items, Chairperson Ainsworth recessed the committee meeting at 9:10 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 9:10 A.M.**

Chairperson Sahlie convened a meeting of the Institutional Advancement Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 9:10 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Woltosz called upon Ms. Stukes for discussion of the single Institutional Advancement Committee agenda item.

1. Auburn University Endowment Portfolio Update – *For Information Only*

Ms. Stukes introduced Mr. Greg DeSisto of Prime Buchholz to provide an update regarding the university's endowment portfolio.

Mr. DeSisto presented a detailed overview of the portfolio and responded to questions from the Board accordingly.

Chairperson Woltosz thanked Ms. Stukes and Mr. DeSisto for their reports, and with there being no further items, recessed the committee meeting at 9:30 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 9:30 A.M.**

Chairperson Dumas convened a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Auburn University Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

After calling the committee meeting to order, Chairperson Dumas discussed the following Executive Committee agenda items.

1. Election of the President *Pro Tempore*

Chairperson Dumas indicated that the first item before the Executive Committee is the election of the President *Pro Tempore* for 2025-2026. A motion to nominate Vice President *Pro Tempore* Sanford as President *Pro Tempore* was received from Mr. Rane. The nomination was seconded by Mr. DeMaioribus and affirmed by a voice vote.

2. Proposed Awards and Namings

Chairperson Dumas then asked for a motion to move consideration of a list of proposed awards and namings to the reconvened meeting.

A motion to report the item favorably to the full Board during the reconvened meeting was received from Mr. Rane. The motion was seconded Vice President *Pro Tempore* Sanford, and the committee approved the motion by a voice vote.

Chairperson Dumas then called upon President *Pro Tempore* Riggins for discussion of the committee's final agenda item.

3. Presidential Assessment – *For Information Only*

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins began the discussion regarding the annual assessment of the President by congratulating Dr. Roberts on an outstanding third year. President *Pro Tempore* Riggins commended Dr. Roberts for his stellar leadership and highlighted several key areas, stating:

First, the launch of the Strategic Plan stands out as a signature achievement. The planning process was inclusive, thoughtful, and well-executed...reflecting your belief that engagement builds ownership and that ownership drives results. We are confident this plan will serve as a durable and dynamic guide for Auburn's next decade.

Financially, Auburn is strong. We are grateful for your steady stewardship, which has strengthened our fiscal foundation and supported both near-term priorities and long-term capital planning. We especially appreciate the clear and timely communication you and your team have provided to help us fulfill our fiduciary responsibilities.

In the research arena, we commend your team for delivering record-breaking results, including \$394 million in expenditures and a landmark \$50 million contract with the U.S. Army. Auburn's research enterprise is gaining both maturity and national visibility.

We were also pleased by your success in enrollment and fundraising. This year's freshman class is the most academically accomplished in Auburn's history, and fundraising efforts exceeded expectations by a wide margin—achievements that reflect rising confidence in Auburn's future and in your leadership.

Your ability to navigate the evolving world of college athletics while maintaining institutional values has not gone unnoticed. Through it all, you've kept students at the center and ensured that integrity remains a hallmark of Auburn's programs.

And finally, we affirm your focus on the future: from student housing and federal engagement to campaign readiness and NIL strategy, your priorities are well-placed and well-considered.

President Roberts, we remain confident in your leadership and direction. Please continue to work closely with us in the year ahead. With alignment and commitment, we are certain that Auburn will continue to thrive.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins indicated that the item is presented for information only and does not require a vote.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins thanked the Presidential Assessment Working Group for their service and noted that the 2025 assessment is now complete.

With there being no further items, Chairperson Dumas recessed the committee meeting at 9:35 a.m.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins then called upon various committee chairpersons and lead trustees for the following trustee reports.

Alumni

Lead Trustee Roberts began his report by sharing the following statistics regarding how the Alumni Engagement team connects alumni, parents, and friends through a life-stage-based strategy, as follows:

- Living Alumni: 253,362
- Young Alumni (≤ 40): 37%
- Mid-Life Alumni (41-62): 37%
- Seasoned Alumni (63+): 24%
- Unidentified: 2%
- Parents & Friends of Auburn: 223,000
- Post-2000 Graduates: 133,804 (53% of alumni)

Lead Trustee Roberts then shared the following Spring 2025 highlights: the SEC Men's Basketball Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee from March 12-16; the Young Alumni Council and "Roar & Soar" Graduation Event in Auburn from April 3-4; and Black Alumni Weekend in Auburn from April 4-6. He then shared the following Summer 2025 upcoming engagements: Lifetime Achievement Awards in Auburn on June 7; Auburn on the Hill in Washington, D.C.; and AMBUSH in Columbus, Georgia on June 23, Lake Martin on July 2, and Atlanta, Georgia on July 14. He concluded his report by noting that during Fall 2025, the 20 Under 40 Reception will be held in Opelika on October 17.

Governmental Affairs Committee

Chairperson Rane began his report by sharing that the Alabama Legislature finished the 2025 regular session in early May after several months of work. He noted that the state's Education Trust Fund Budget and accompanying bills were passed nearly unanimously in both chambers. He reported that state legislative support for Auburn University remains robust. He commented that in total, Auburn received over \$99M in new funding from the state.

Chairperson Rane then reported that earlier this year, Congress passed a continuing resolution to maintain government funding at last year's levels. He expressed that under this deal, most federal departments received roughly the same amount of funding this year, but departments now have more discretion in how and where the funding will be spent. He stated that Auburn found early success when Congressman Mike Rogers and Senator Katie Britt steered \$30 million in Department of Defense funding from the continuing resolution to Auburn initiatives last month. He noted, however, that several other federal agencies have been slower to issue research awards, particularly to universities. He indicated that

Auburn will continue to engage with the Alabama congressional delegation and agency partners about Auburn's strengths and research expertise as this process continues.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins thanked the trustees and indicated that the committee meetings and trustee reports were complete.

**MINUTES OF AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 9:35 A.M.**

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins convened an annual meeting of the Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 9:35 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins asked General Counsel Hammer if there was any pending litigation that needed to be discussed in an executive session. General Counsel Hammer indicated that there was pending litigation that needed to be discussed in an executive session.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins then asked for a motion for the Board to enter an executive session. A motion was received from Mr. Rane. The motion was seconded by Ms. Huntley, and the Board approved the motion by a voice vote.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins recessed the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees at 9:40 a.m.

**MINUTES OF A RECONVENED MEETING OF THE
AUBURN UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FRIDAY, JUNE 6, 2025 AT 10:55 A.M.**

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins reconvened the meeting of the Board of Trustees on Friday, June 6, 2025 at 10:55 a.m. in the Legacy Ballroom of The Hotel at Auburn University and Dixon Conference Center.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the April 3, 2025 meeting. A motion was received from Mr. Rane. The motion was seconded by Ms. Huntley, and the resolution was approved by a voice vote.

The following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the April 3, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees have been distributed to all members of this Board for review; and

WHEREAS, the members have reviewed the minutes and determined that they constitute a true and correct recitation of the business of the respective meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the minutes of the April 3, 2025 meeting of the Board of Trustees are hereby approved as distributed.

Following the approval of the minutes of the April 3, 2025 Board Meeting, President *Pro Tempore* Riggins asked for a motion to approve the resolution regarding the awarding of degrees for the Summer 2025 semester. A motion was received from Mr. Rane. The motion was seconded by Mr. W. Smith, and the resolution was approved by a voice vote.

The following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION

AWARDING OF DEGREES

WHEREAS, Auburn University confers appropriate degrees upon those individuals who have completed requirements previously approved by this Board of Trustees and stated in University Catalogs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That all degrees to be awarded by the faculty of Auburn University and Auburn University at Montgomery at the end of the Summer 2025 semester, complying with the requirements heretofore established by the Board of Trustees, be and the same are hereby approved.
2. That a list of the degrees awarded be filed and maintained in the records of the University and hereby made an official part of this resolution and of these minutes.

Property and Facilities Committee

Chairperson DeMaioribus indicated that the Property and Facilities Committee met earlier and discussed five action items and three items of information. Chairperson DeMaioribus moved for approval of a consent agenda for the Property and Facilities Committee's five action items. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rane, and the resolutions were approved by a voice vote.

The following resolutions were approved in the consent agenda:

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUBURN UNIVERSITY REGIONAL AIRPORT
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER

FINAL PROJECT APPROVAL

WHEREAS, the Auburn University Regional Airport proposed the construction of an air traffic control tower that will provide the essential coordination between incoming and departing traffic, thus enhancing airspace safety and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the air traffic control tower project will construct a 91-foot-tall tower with a 360-degree observation deck located north of the existing Auburn University Regional Airport terminal building; and

WHEREAS, at its previous meeting on November 17, 2023, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower project and adopted a resolution that approved Barge Design Solutions, Inc., as the engineer for the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the estimated total project cost of the Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower is \$8.9 million, to be financed by a combination of federal and state grants and local funds; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the final approval of the project must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower project is approved and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Establish a budget for the Auburn University Regional Airport Air Traffic Control Tower project in the amount of \$8.9 million, to be financed by a combination of federal and state grants and local funds; and
2. Direct the consultants to complete the required plans for the project; and
3. Solicit bids and award a contract for construction conditioned upon the lowest responsible and responsive bid being consistent with the approved project budget.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

CENTRAL DINING BUILD-OUT FOR NEW DINING VENUE

APPROVAL OF PROJECT ARCHITECT

WHEREAS, at its meeting of April 3, 2025, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the Central Dining Build-Out for New Dining Venue project and authorized the commencement of the architect selection process; and

WHEREAS, the University Architect, after conducting interviews with three (3) candidate firms, determined the architectural firm McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture of Atlanta, Georgia, was best qualified to provide design services on this project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Board of Trustees policy “D-3, Capital Projects Approval,” the selection of the project architect must be submitted to the Auburn University Board of Trustees through the Property and Facilities Committee for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to perform the following tasks:

1. Engage McMillan Pazdan Smith Architecture of Atlanta, Georgia, as project architect to consult in the development of the facility program and project design; and
2. Limit the project planning and design development to the schematic design phase until the program requirements, budget, funding plan, and site are approved by the Board.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY LOCKER ROOM

APPROVAL OF PROJECT INITIATION AND AUTHORIZATION
TO COMMENCE THE PROJECT ARCHITECT SELECTION PROCESS

WHEREAS, Auburn University at Montgomery (AUM) has proposed the construction of a new athletics facility, to support locker rooms for several athletics teams; and

WHEREAS, the project is anticipated to be approximately 14,000 square feet in a single-story building; and

WHEREAS, the project will provide appropriate facilities for multiple athletics teams including the women's and men's soccer, women's softball, and others; and

WHEREAS, the project will provide satellite locker rooms, administrative space, laundry facilities, and a multi-purpose recruiting area; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that this facility would be financed by Auburn University at Montgomery; and

WHEREAS, according to the Board of Trustees policy, "D-3, Capital Projects Approval," the initiation of this project must be submitted to the Board, through the Property and Facilities Committee, for approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Auburn University at Montgomery Locker Room project is approved; and Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to commence the project architect selection process.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

SPIDLE HALL DEMOLITION

PROJECT APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE THE WORK

WHEREAS, at its meeting on September 6, 2024, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution that approved the initiation of the College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility project, and on November 15, 2024, approved the project architect; and

WHEREAS, the College of Human Sciences will be temporarily relocated from Spidle Hall to Haley Center until the completion of the new College of Human Sciences Academic and Research Facility; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will demolish Spidle Hall; and

WHEREAS, demolition is anticipated to start in fall 2025 and be completed by winter 2026; and

WHEREAS, the demolition project is estimated to cost \$2.7 million, to be financed by University funds; and

WHEREAS, given the impact on the Auburn University campus resulting from the demolition, it is appropriate that the Board of Trustees approve the Spidle Hall Demolition project and authorize the execution of the demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Spidle Hall Demolition project is approved, and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to execute the demolition.

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

WIRE ROAD SIDEWALK GRANT

PROJECT APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE THE WORK

WHEREAS, Facilities Management and Student Affairs proposes to construct a sidewalk along Wire Road from Lem Morrison Drive to West Samford Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the initiative to add a sidewalk along this segment of Wire Road was sponsored by the Student Government Association and will provide an important pedestrian connection and safety enhancement for the campus and community; and

WHEREAS, the schedule for this project is anticipated to begin construction following the Fall 2025 semester; and

WHEREAS, the overall cost of the project is estimated to cost up to \$1.5 million, to be financed by a grant received from the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) and University reserve funds.

WHEREAS, given the impact on the Auburn University campus resulting from the infrastructure enhancement, it is appropriate that the Board of Trustees approve the Wire Road Sidewalk Grant project and authorize the execution of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University that the Wire Road Sidewalk Grant project is approved, and that Christopher B. Roberts, President, or such other person as may be acting as President, be and the same is hereby authorized and empowered to execute the project.

Audit and Compliance Committee

Chairperson Ainsworth indicated that the Audit and Compliance Committee met earlier and discussed one action item and one item of information. Chairperson Ainsworth moved for approval of the Audit and Compliance Committee's single action item. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roberts, and the resolution was approved by a voice vote.

The following resolution was approved:

AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

APPROVAL OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

WHEREAS, The Audit Committee of the Board of Trustees is charged with recommending the appointment of the University's external auditor; and

WHEREAS, The Audit Committee recommends the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP to audit the University's financial statements and to conduct the federally required Uniform Guidance audit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Auburn University PricewaterhouseCoopers, LLP is appointed as the University's external auditor.

Executive Committee

Chairperson Dumas indicated that the Executive Committee met earlier and discussed two action items and one item of information.

First, Chairperson Dumas stated that the Executive Committee recommended that Vice President *Pro Tempore* Jimmy Sanford be elected as President *Pro Tempore* for 2025-2026. A motion to elect Vice President *Pro Tempore* Sanford was received from Chairperson Dumas. The motion was seconded by President *Pro Tempore* Riggins, and the motion was approved by a voice vote.

Chairperson Dumas commented that the 2025-2026 term begins immediately upon conclusion of the meeting.

Chairperson Dumas reported that the second item presented to the Executive Committee was a list of proposed awards and namings. Chairperson Dumas moved for approval of the item. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rane, and the resolutions were approved by a voice vote.

Chairperson Dumas reported that the third item presented to the Executive Committee was the annual assessment of the President, noting that the item was presented for information only.

The following resolutions were approved:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE ANNUALS TRIAL GARDEN
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
ALABAMA AGRICULTURE & INDUSTRIES- COMMISSIONER RICK PATE
ANNUALS TRIAL GARDEN

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries has been a generous supporter of Auburn University, the College of Agriculture, and the Transformation Garden; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Rick Pate believes in the transformative power of agriculture and supports numerous programs across the state of Alabama that impact all areas of agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries is committed to protecting and serving Alabama consumers; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries aims to ensure effective, fair, and expert oversight of products, businesses, the movement, and use of goods and services governed by relevant state and federal laws; and

WHEREAS, the Transformation Garden serves as a 16-acre classroom and research facility that will reflect the diversity of Alabama's crop and horticultural industries; and

WHEREAS, the Transformation Garden will provide a transformative student experience, fuel vital research, serve as a local food source for Auburn's Campus Dining program, and will complete Auburn's green corridor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Annuals Trial Garden in the Transformation Garden be named the Alabama Agriculture & Industries - Commissioner Rick Pate Annuals Trial Garden in recognition of their generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE ORNAMENTAL PLOTS
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
JOSEPHINE AND DAN E. PONDER, SR. ORNAMENTAL PLOTS

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Dan and Mary Lou Ponder have been generous supporters of Auburn University, the College of Agriculture, and the Transformation Garden; and

WHEREAS, Dan received a bachelor's degree in agricultural business and economics from Auburn University in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Mary Lou received a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from Auburn University in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Dan is the former President (retired) at Ponder Enterprises, Inc. where he served for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Dan and Mary Lou Ponder raised two children and have enjoyed watching their family grow through their grandchildren; and

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING THE GREENWAY MAIN PATH
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
ALABAMA MASTER GARDENER TRAIL**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, the Alabama Master Gardeners Association has been a generous supporter of Auburn University, the College of Agriculture, and the Transformation Garden; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Master Gardeners Association is highly regarded for their mission to assist and support the Alabama Cooperative Extension System in its educational outreach program; and

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WHEREAS, the Alabama Master Gardeners Association is highly regarded throughout the state for its contributions to enhancing and supporting the Alabama Cooperative Extension System Home Horticulture Program; and

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WHEREAS, the JL Bedsole Foundation is highly regarded for their mission to improve the quality of life of Alabama citizens and to strengthen the communities in which they live; and

WHEREAS, the JL Bedsole Foundation is highly regarded throughout the state of Alabama for their investments in education, arts and culture, health and human services and economic and community development; and

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE VEGETABLE TEACHING GARDEN
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
CHARLES AND AMANDA BAZEMORE VEGETABLE TEACHING GARDEN

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Charles and Amanda Bazemore have been generous supporters of Auburn University, the College of Agriculture, and The Transformation Garden; and

WHEREAS, Charles and Amanda are highly regarded for their dedication to supporting the education and development of Alabama residents; and

WHEREAS, Charles spent 40 years with Alabama Power Company in various communities throughout the State. Upon his retirement in 2011, Charles served as the Western Division Customer Service Manager in Tuscaloosa; and

WHEREAS, Amanda taught school in each community in which they lived, and retired in 2007 after 25 years as an educator, teaching primarily 6th grade students; and

WHEREAS, Charles and Amanda live in Auburn and actively support the university and campus community through their generous philanthropic contributions; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Vegetable Teaching Garden in the Transformation Garden be named the Charles and Amanda Bazemore Vegetable Teaching Garden in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE INVASIVE PLANT GARDEN
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
HARVEY FAMILY INVASIVE PLANT GARDEN

June 6, 2025

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Invasive Plant Garden in the Transformation Garden be named the Harvey Family Invasive Plant Garden in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE HERB AND MEDICINAL GARDEN
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
ITHAKA HOSPITALITY PARTNERS CULINARY HERB GARDEN

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners have been generous supporters of Auburn University, the College of Agriculture, and the Transformation Garden; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners are established as a distinguished leader in hospitality management, dedicated to fostering loyalty and delivering exceptional customer service; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners operate on a set of highly regarded values; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners brings valuable experience and expertise in the hospitality industry, benefiting alumni, students, and faculty in the Auburn University College of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners has a strong dedication to integrity and excellence; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Herb and Medicinal Garden in the Transformation Garden be named The Ithaka Hospitality Partners Culinary Herb Garden in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A PARK BENCH
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
DR. MARK MCGUIRE MEMORIAL BENCH

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Mark McGuire earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts in 1976 from Auburn University and later returned to study horticulture obtaining a degree posthumously in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mark was a retired Colonel and Doctor of Optometry in the US Army Reserves for more than 30 years and loved horticulture; and

WHEREAS, Mark and Susie McGuire enjoyed their lives as a military family that served our country through selfless endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Susie McGuire has generously supported the Transformation Garden and the College of Agriculture in honor of her late husband, Mark;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a park bench in the Transformation Garden be named the Dr. Mark McGuire Memorial Bench in memory of his commitment and dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A PARK BENCH
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
PAUL AND LOUISA PATTERSON BENCH**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Patterson earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural business and economics from Auburn University in 1985 followed by his M.S. and Ph.D. in agricultural economics from Purdue University; and

WHEREAS, Louisa Patterson earned a bachelor's degree in secondary education mathematics from Auburn University in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Paul began his agricultural career in the college in 1980 as a student research technician and continued to serve Auburn University in various positions, including Department Head, Associate Dean of Instruction, and as the Dean of the College of Agriculture and the Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station for over eight years; and

WHEREAS, Paul and Louisa have consistently made a lasting impact on the agricultural community by inspiring students, staff, faculty, and alumni to advance the College of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Paul and Louisa have generously supported the strategic initiatives of the College of Agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a park bench in the Transformation Garden be named the Paul and Louisa Patterson Bench in honor of their commitment and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A HUDDLE ROOM
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
NATIONAL ALUMNI COUNCIL HUDDLE ROOM**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, In 1991, Dean Richard K. Kunkel established the National Alumni Council in the College of Education, an exceptional network of alumni and friends who worked to promote the mission and vision of the College; and

WHEREAS, For over 30 years, the council has championed education and health sciences, fostered meaningful connections among College of Education alumni, faculty, staff, and students, and created networking opportunities that continue to benefit individuals, school systems, community partners, and our institution today; and

WHEREAS, The National Alumni Council embodies the principles of the Auburn Creed, demonstrating a steadfast belief in the value of hard work, education, and the practical application of knowledge. Their dedication to fostering meaningful connections and opportunities reflects the spirit of diligence, wisdom, and skill that the Creed upholds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a huddle room in the College of Education be named the National Alumni Council Huddle Room in recognition of their generous support and dedication to the College of Education and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A HUDDLE ROOM
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
CULPEPPER-CHANCEY FAMILY HUDDLE ROOM

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Nancy Culpepper Chancey received a Bachelor of Science in Education from Auburn in 1962 and her husband, Jon E. Chancey received a Bachelor of Science in Forestry, Wildlife, and Environment in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Nancy's parents, Catherine D. and Robert A. Culpepper, deeply valued education, seeing it as a powerful tool for enhancing one's quality of life and as a foundation for serving and giving back to others; and

WHEREAS, The Culpeppers held a deep belief in Auburn University, and as a former roommate, fraternity brother, and teammate of Shug Jordan, Mr. Culpepper became one of Auburn's most passionate supporters and recruiters. His dedication established a legacy for his family, beginning with his daughter, Nancy; and

WHEREAS, Nancy has served Auburn and the College of Education through various leadership roles. From her time on campus as Student Government Association President to her involvement in numerous campaign committees for the college and the National Alumni Council, she has continuously contributed to the university's mission and growth; and

WHEREAS, Nancy and Jon have three children, Allison Chancey Miller, a 1986 graduate of the Harbert College of Business, Tempie Chancey Thackston, a 1989 graduate of the College of Education, and Jon Robert Chancey, a graduate of Birmingham Southern College and Troy University; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a Huddle Room in the College of Education be named the Culpepper-Chancey Family Huddle Room in honor of the Culpepper-Chancey families' enduring dedication and generous support of the College of Education and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING THE EAGLES ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
WALKER DECLAN EISIMINGER OFFICE**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Alison Eisiminger received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from Auburn University in 2000, followed by a Master of Arts in Secondary Education and Teaching from Georgia State University in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Alison began her career in education as a middle school mathematics teacher in the Atlanta Public School system before relocating to Virginia, where she continued her work with Prince William County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Bob Eisiminger earned a Bachelor of Science from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1988 and graduated in May 2022 with an Executive MBA from Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Bob co-founded and served as CEO of Knight Point Systems, a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned business specializing in IT services and solutions for Federal and commercial clients. Beyond his success as an entrepreneur, he is also a dedicated community leader and senior business advisor; and

WHEREAS, Alison and Bob are dedicated advocates for the EAGLES program, a comprehensive transition initiative within the College of Education designed to support individuals with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Alison is an active member of the EAGLES Engagement Council, which helps provide support and resources to empower students, ensuring they grow into successful and contributing members of society; and

WHEREAS, Alison and Bob honored their son, Walker Declan Eisiminger, by naming a space within the EAGLES program suite, ensuring his legacy remains a meaningful part of the program's mission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the EAGLES Assistant Director's Office in the College of Education be named the Walker Declan Eisiminger Office in recognition of Alison and Bob Eisiminger's generous support and dedication to the College of Education and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE BALLET BARRE IN THE
JAY AND SUSIE GOGUE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
AS THE STACY K. YOUNG BALLET BARRE

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Stacy K. Young graduated from Auburn University in 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education; and

WHEREAS, Stacy was born in Huntsville, Alabama, and encouraged by her parents learned the importance of philanthropy and the fine arts.

WHEREAS, As an undergraduate, Stacy enjoyed teaching dance in the Auburn community and was very involved in philanthropic outreach. She realized her passion could be combined with her early childhood education knowledge and opened Variations Dance Studio, a classically based dance studio in Auburn, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Variations has been recognized as the only dance studio in the state approved to utilize a licensed early childhood education-focused curriculum, nurturing young children's cognitive, social, and physical development through movement. Stacy's work has been featured in Auburn University's Keystone, the College of Education publication, and national publications, Dance Teacher Magazine and Dance Business Weekly; and

WHEREAS, Since 2007, Stacy has worked to develop dance education in the Auburn area through Variations Dance Studio. She enjoys living in Auburn and serving local schools and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Stacy serves on the Gogue Center Engagement Council, is a past Board member of the Alabama Dance Council, Storybook Farm, and the Graceful Gift Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Stacy is proud of Auburn University and the City of Auburn's desire to further enhance the institution and the community, has supported the arts throughout her life, and looks forward to continuing to support the Gogue Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ballet Barre in the Jay and Susie Gogue Performing Arts Center be named the Stacy K. Young Ballet Barre in recognition of her generous support of the Gogue Performing Arts Center and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE STUDENT PROJECT LAB IN DAVIS HALL
IN THE SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
AS THE PHILIP PELFREY STUDENT PROJECT LAB

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Philip Pelfrey earned his bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering from Auburn University in 1987; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, Philip started his career developing replacement turbopumps for the Space Shuttle Main Engine (SSME) as part of a NASA effort to increase overall launch system reliability following the Challenger accident; and

WHEREAS, Philip founded P3 Technologies in Jupiter, Florida, in 2017, an industry leader in the development of state-of-the-art rotating machinery including pumps, compressors, turbines, rolling element bearings, hydrostatic bearings, fluid-film seals, and rotordynamics; and

WHEREAS, The company was sold to the Graham Corporation in 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Student Project Lab in Davis Hall be named the Philip Pelfrey Student Project Lab in honor of his generous support and ongoing dedication to the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE FIRST FLOOR LOBBY COMMONS-BUILDING A
IN THE STEM + AG SCIENCES COMPLEX
AS THE RAMSAY FAMILY ATRIUM

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, L.W. (Woodie) Ramsay, Jr. established Gulf Equipment Corporation in 1984 and worked alongside his brother John Ramsay to build the business through the construction of telecommunication towers; and

WHEREAS, As the industry evolved, the Ramsays continued to build towers and expanded into civil work, utility construction, public highway and site development, deep foundations and more, later rebranding as Gulf Services; and

WHEREAS, Today, the company self-performs work in a variety of industries with an in-house equipment fleet allowing them to respond timely and bid competitively; and

WHEREAS, The STEM + Ag Sciences Complex consists of three three-story buildings totaling approximately 265,000 square feet; and

WHEREAS, The complex will provide state-of-the-art laboratory, classroom, student collaboration and faculty spaces for various departments within the College of Sciences and Mathematics and the College of Agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lobby Commons on the first floor of Building A in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex be named the Ramsay Family Atrium in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A CONFERENCE ROOM
IN THE STEM + AG SCIENCES COMPLEX
AS THE HUDGINS CONFERENCE ROOM

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Dr. Roger Hudgins, a retired pediatric neurosurgeon, received his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Auburn University in 1975 and his medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1979; and

WHEREAS, Roger's brothers, Michael Hudgins'78 and Timothy Hudgins'88, are also Auburn graduates, demonstrating the family's strong ties to Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Roger's parents valued higher education and believed deeply in the enduring significance of a degree as a treasured achievement; and

WHEREAS, Roger Hudgins wishes to honor his parents and siblings by naming a conference room in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a conference room in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex be named the Hudgins Conference Room in recognition of the Hudgins family's generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Sciences and Mathematics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

NAMING THE HERB AND MEDICINAL GARDEN
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
ITHAKA HOSPITALITY PARTNERS CULINARY HERB GARDEN

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners have been generous supporters of Auburn University, the College of Agriculture, and the Transformation Garden; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners are established as a distinguished leader in hospitality management, dedicated to fostering loyalty and delivering exceptional customer service; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners operate on a set of highly regarded values; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners brings valuable experience and expertise in the hospitality industry, benefiting alumni, students, and faculty in the Auburn University College of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Ithaka Hospitality Partners has a strong dedication to integrity and excellence; and

WHEREAS, the Transformation Garden serves as a 16-acre classroom and research facility that will reflect the diversity of Alabama's crop and horticultural industries; and

WHEREAS, the Transformation Garden will provide a transformative student experience, fuel vital research, serve as a local food source for Auburn's Campus Dining program, and will complete Auburn's green corridor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Herb and Medicinal Garden in the Transformation Garden be named The Ithaka Hospitality Partners Culinary Herb Garden in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A PARK BENCH
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
DR. MARK MCGUIRE MEMORIAL BENCH

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Mark McGuire earned a bachelor's degree in liberal arts in 1976 from Auburn University and later returned to study horticulture obtaining a degree posthumously in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Mark was a retired Colonel and Doctor of Optometry in the US Army Reserves for more than 30 years and loved horticulture; and

WHEREAS, Mark and Susie McGuire enjoyed their lives as a military family that served our country through selfless endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Susie McGuire has generously supported the Transformation Garden and the College of Agriculture in honor of her late husband, Mark;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a park bench in the Transformation Garden be named the Dr. Mark McGuire Memorial Bench in memory of his commitment and dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A PARK BENCH
IN THE TRANSFORMATION GARDEN AS THE
PAUL AND LOUISA PATTERSON BENCH**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Dr. Paul Patterson earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural business and economics from Auburn University in 1985 followed by his M.S. and Ph.D. in agricultural economics from Purdue University; and

WHEREAS, Louisa Patterson earned a bachelor's degree in secondary education mathematics from Auburn University in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Paul began his agricultural career in the college in 1980 as a student research technician and continued to serve Auburn University in various positions, including Department Head, Associate Dean of Instruction, and as the Dean of the College of Agriculture and the Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station for over eight years; and

WHEREAS, Paul and Louisa have consistently made a lasting impact on the agricultural community by inspiring students, staff, faculty, and alumni to advance the College of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Paul and Louisa have generously supported the strategic initiatives of the College of Agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a park bench in the Transformation Garden be named the Paul and Louisa Patterson Bench in honor of their commitment and ongoing dedication to the College of Agriculture and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A HUDDLE ROOM
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
NATIONAL ALUMNI COUNCIL HUDDLE ROOM**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, In 1991, Dean Richard K. Kunkel established the National Alumni Council in the College of Education, an exceptional network of alumni and friends who worked to promote the mission and vision of the College; and

WHEREAS, For over 30 years, the council has championed education and health sciences, fostered meaningful connections among College of Education alumni, faculty, staff, and students, and created networking opportunities that continue to benefit individuals, school systems, community partners, and our institution today; and

WHEREAS, The National Alumni Council embodies the principles of the Auburn Creed, demonstrating a steadfast belief in the value of hard work, education, and the practical application of knowledge. Their dedication to fostering meaningful connections and opportunities reflects the spirit of diligence, wisdom, and skill that the Creed upholds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a huddle room in the College of Education be named the National Alumni Council Huddle Room in recognition of their generous support and dedication to the College of Education and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A HUDDLE ROOM
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
CULPEPPER-CHANCEY FAMILY HUDDLE ROOM

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Nancy Culpepper Chancey received a Bachelor of Science in Education from Auburn in 1962 and her husband, Jon E. Chancey received a Bachelor of Science in Forestry, Wildlife, and Environment in 1961; and

WHEREAS, Nancy's parents, Catherine D. and Robert A. Culpepper, deeply valued education, seeing it as a powerful tool for enhancing one's quality of life and as a foundation for serving and giving back to others; and

WHEREAS, The Culpeppers held a deep belief in Auburn University, and as a former roommate, fraternity brother, and teammate of Shug Jordan, Mr. Culpepper became one of Auburn's most passionate supporters and recruiters. His dedication established a legacy for his family, beginning with his daughter, Nancy; and

WHEREAS, Nancy has served Auburn and the College of Education through various leadership roles. From her time on campus as Student Government Association President to her involvement in numerous campaign committees for the college and the National Alumni Council, she has continuously contributed to the university's mission and growth; and

WHEREAS, Nancy and Jon have three children, Allison Chancey Miller, a 1986 graduate of the Harbert College of Business, Tempie Chancey Thackston, a 1989 graduate of the College of Education, and Jon Robert Chancey, a graduate of Birmingham Southern College and Troy University; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a Huddle Room in the College of Education be named the Culpepper-Chancey Family Huddle Room in honor of the Culpepper-Chancey families' enduring dedication and generous support of the College of Education and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE EAGLES ASSISTANT DIRECTOR'S OFFICE
IN THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AS THE
WALKER DECLAN EISIMINGER OFFICE

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Alison Eisiminger received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance from Auburn University in 2000, followed by a Master of Arts in Secondary Education and Teaching from Georgia State University in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Alison began her career in education as a middle school mathematics teacher in the Atlanta Public School system before relocating to Virginia, where she continued her work with Prince William County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, Bob Eisiminger earned a Bachelor of Science from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1988 and graduated in May 2022 with an Executive MBA from Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Bob co-founded and served as CEO of Knight Point Systems, a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned business specializing in IT services and solutions for Federal and commercial clients. Beyond his success as an entrepreneur, he is also a dedicated community leader and senior business advisor; and

WHEREAS, Alison and Bob are dedicated advocates for the EAGLES program, a comprehensive transition initiative within the College of Education designed to support individuals with intellectual disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Alison is an active member of the EAGLES Engagement Council, which helps provide support and resources to empower students, ensuring they grow into successful and contributing members of society; and

WHEREAS, Alison and Bob honored their son, Walker Declan Eisiminger, by naming a space within the EAGLES program suite, ensuring his legacy remains a meaningful part of the program's mission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the EAGLES Assistant Director's Office in the College of Education be named the Walker Declan Eisiminger Office in recognition of Alison and Bob Eisiminger's generous support and dedication to the College of Education and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE BALLET BARRE IN THE
JAY AND SUSIE GOGUE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
AS THE STACY K. YOUNG BALLET BARRE

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Stacy K. Young graduated from Auburn University in 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education; and

WHEREAS, Stacy was born in Huntsville, Alabama, and encouraged by her parents learned the importance of philanthropy and the fine arts.

WHEREAS, As an undergraduate, Stacy enjoyed teaching dance in the Auburn community and was very involved in philanthropic outreach. She realized her passion could be combined with her early childhood education knowledge and opened Variations Dance Studio, a classically based dance studio in Auburn, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Variations has been recognized as the only dance studio in the state approved to utilize a licensed early childhood education-focused curriculum, nurturing young children's cognitive, social, and physical development through movement. Stacy's work has been featured in Auburn University's Keystone, the College of Education publication, and national publications, Dance Teacher Magazine and Dance Business Weekly; and

WHEREAS, Since 2007, Stacy has worked to develop dance education in the Auburn area through Variations Dance Studio. She enjoys living in Auburn and serving local schools and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Stacy serves on the Gogue Center Engagement Council, is a past Board member of the Alabama Dance Council, Storybook Farm, and the Graceful Gift Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Stacy is proud of Auburn University and the City of Auburn's desire to further enhance the institution and the community, has supported the arts throughout her life, and looks forward to continuing to support the Gogue Center;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ballet Barre in the Jay and Susie Gogue Performing Arts Center be named the Stacy K. Young Ballet Barre in recognition of her generous support of the Gogue Performing Arts Center and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING THE STUDENT PROJECT LAB IN DAVIS HALL
IN THE SAMUEL GINN COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
AS THE PHILIP PELFREY STUDENT PROJECT LAB**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Philip Pelfrey earned his bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering from Auburn University in 1987; and

WHEREAS, In 1987, Philip started his career developing replacement turbopumps for the Space Shuttle Main Engine (SSME) as part of a NASA effort to increase overall launch system reliability following the Challenger accident; and

WHEREAS, Philip founded P3 Technologies in Jupiter, Florida, in 2017, an industry leader in the development of state-of-the-art rotating machinery including pumps, compressors, turbines, rolling element bearings, hydrostatic bearings, fluid-film seals, and rotordynamics; and

WHEREAS, The company was sold to the Graham Corporation in 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Student Project Lab in Davis Hall be named the Philip Pelfrey Student Project Lab in honor of his generous support and ongoing dedication to the Samuel Ginn College of Engineering and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING THE FIRST FLOOR LOBBY COMMONS-BUILDING A
IN THE STEM + AG SCIENCES COMPLEX
AS THE RAMSAY FAMILY ATRIUM

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, L.W. (Woodie) Ramsay, Jr. established Gulf Equipment Corporation in 1984 and worked alongside his brother John Ramsay to build the business through the construction of telecommunication towers; and

WHEREAS, As the industry evolved, the Ramsays continued to build towers and expanded into civil work, utility construction, public highway and site development, deep foundations and more, later rebranding as Gulf Services; and

WHEREAS, Today, the company self-performs work in a variety of industries with an in-house equipment fleet allowing them to respond timely and bid competitively; and

WHEREAS, The STEM + Ag Sciences Complex consists of three three-story buildings totaling approximately 265,000 square feet; and

WHEREAS, The complex will provide state-of-the-art laboratory, classroom, student collaboration and faculty spaces for various departments within the College of Sciences and Mathematics and the College of Agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lobby Commons on the first floor of Building A in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex be named the Ramsay Family Atrium in honor of their generous support and ongoing dedication to Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A CONFERENCE ROOM
IN THE STEM + AG SCIENCES COMPLEX
AS THE HUDGINS CONFERENCE ROOM

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Dr. Roger Hudgins, a retired pediatric neurosurgeon, received his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Auburn University in 1975 and his medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1979; and

WHEREAS, Roger's brothers, Michael Hudgins'78 and Timothy Hudgins'88, are also Auburn graduates, demonstrating the family's strong ties to Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Roger's parents valued higher education and believed deeply in the enduring significance of a degree as a treasured achievement; and

WHEREAS, Roger Hudgins wishes to honor his parents and siblings by naming a conference room in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a conference room in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex be named the Hudgins Conference Room in recognition of the Hudgins family's generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Sciences and Mathematics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A COLLABORATION AREA
IN THE STEM + AG SCIENCES COMPLEX
AS THE HUDGINS COLLABORATION AREA**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Dr. Roger Hudgins, a retired pediatric neurosurgeon, received his Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Auburn University in 1975 and his medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 1979; and

WHEREAS, Roger's brothers, Michael Hudgins'78 and Timothy Hudgins'88, are also Auburn graduates, demonstrating the family's strong ties to Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Roger's parents valued higher education and believed deeply in the enduring significance of a degree as a treasured achievement; and

WHEREAS, Roger Hudgins wishes to honor his parents and siblings by naming a collaboration area in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a collaboration area in the STEM + Ag Sciences Complex be named the Hudgins Collaboration Area in recognition of the Hudgins family's generous support and ongoing dedication to the College of Sciences and Mathematics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING GATE 12 AT JORDAN-HARE STADIUM
AS THE JAMES H. LAWSON III FAMILY GATE**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Jim Lawson attended Auburn University on a football scholarship, playing for legendary Coach Ralph “Shug” Jordan, until an injury in 1963 ended his football career; and

WHEREAS, following his time at Auburn, Mr. Lawson relocated to California, and in 1971 became the youngest salesman with Honeywell where he was employed for 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson worked with technology and startup companies in Silicon Valley, where he became Vice President of Worldwide Sales; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson had a successful career spanning 43 years, and after retirement, he continued doing private consulting with companies nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson was married to his wife Andrea for 40 years until his death in 2021, and together, they had five children and eight grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Lawson devoted herself to managing the family's affairs while supporting Jim in his work. She enjoys quality time with her family and has a passion for tennis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lawson treasured his time at Auburn and attributes his success as a businessman to his experience with the Auburn Football program. His deep dedication to Auburn led him to fund the design and creation of the bronze, life-size Bengal tiger statue at Tiger Walk Plaza in Jordan-Hare Stadium; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lawson have been long time supporters of Auburn’s student athletes and have made generous gifts to the Football, Equestrian, and Men’s Tennis programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Gate 12 at Jordan-Hare Stadium be named the James H. Lawson III Family Gate in honor of the Lawson family’s generous support and ongoing dedication to Auburn Athletics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING A LOCKER IN THE
MEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOM IN NEVILLE ARENA
AS THE MASSA FAMILY LOCKER**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Johnny R. Massa is a Senior Master Sergeant (Retired) with the United States Air Force where he served from 1972 to 1995; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Massa earned the Department of Defense Meritorious Service Medal and the United States Air Force Commendation Medal; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Massa graduated summa cum laude from Troy University in 1999 with a bachelor's degree in resources management; and

WHEREAS, Janice Clardy Massa received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Auburn University in 1974 and a juris doctorate in 1977 from the Thomas Goode Jones School of Law at Faulkner University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Massa holds the position of supernumerary district attorney for the 19th Judicial Circuit and is the first female district attorney in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Massa is the past president of the Alabama District Attorneys Association, member and past board chair of the Regional Organization Crime Information Center, and has been recognized as District Attorney of the Year by the Alabama District Attorney's Investigators Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Massa are generous supporters of Auburn's student-athletes and recently made a gift to support the men's and women's basketball programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a locker in the men's basketball locker room at Neville Arena be named the Massa Family Locker in honor of the Massa family's generous support and ongoing dedication to Auburn Athletics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

NAMING A LOCKER IN THE
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL LOCKER ROOM IN NEVILLE ARENA
AS THE MASSA FAMILY LOCKER IN HONOR OF SHANA DANIELS

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Johnny R. Massa is a Senior Master Sergeant (Retired) with the United States Air Force where he served from 1972 to 1995; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Massa earned the Department of Defense Meritorious Service Medal and the United States Air Force Commendation Medal; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Massa graduated summa cum laude from Troy University in 1999 with a bachelor's degree in resources management; and

WHEREAS, Janice Clardy Massa received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Auburn University in 1974 and a juris doctorate in 1977 from the Thomas Goode Jones School of Law at Faulkner University; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Massa holds the position of supernumerary district attorney for the 19th Judicial Circuit and is the first female district attorney in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Massa is the past president of the Alabama District Attorneys Association, member and past board chair of the Regional Organization Crime Information Center, and has been recognized as District Attorney of the Year by the Alabama District Attorney's Investigators Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Massa are generous supporters of Auburn's student-athletes and recently made a gift to support the men's and women's basketball programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a locker in the women's basketball locker room at Neville Arena be named the Massa Family Locker in honor of Shana Daniels in recognition of the Massa Family's generous support and ongoing dedication to Auburn Athletics and Auburn University.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

**NAMING THE BASEBALL EQUIPMENT ROOM
AT PLAINSMAN PARK AS THE
REYNOLDS FAMILY EQUIPMENT ROOM**

June 6, 2025

WHEREAS, Scott Reynolds earned a bachelor's degree in building science from Auburn University in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Scott has served as partner and president of Catamount Constructors, Inc. since 1998; and

WHEREAS, Scott is an adjunct professor in the McWhorter School of Building Science at Auburn University and serves as chapter counselor for Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Auburn; and

WHEREAS, Scott and his wife, Cori, reside in Auburn, Alabama, and have three children; Trenton, a 2023 Auburn graduate; Daryn, a 2025 Auburn graduate; and Rylee, an eighth grader at Auburn Junior High School; and

WHEREAS, Trenton Reynolds served as a student manager for the Auburn Baseball program from 2016 to 2023. During this time, Head Coach Butch Thompson and Director of Baseball Operations Greg Drye exemplified the discipline, dedication, and leadership essential for success in life, helping to lay the foundation for Trenton's achievements in college and beyond; and

WHEREAS, The Reynolds family is deeply grateful for the leadership of the Auburn Baseball Coaching Staff and the significant impact they had on Trenton. In appreciation, they have chosen to support the baseball program through a philanthropic investment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the baseball equipment room at Plainsman Park be named the Reynolds Family Equipment Room in recognition of the Reynolds family's generous support and ongoing dedication to Auburn Athletics and Auburn University.

President *Pro Tempore* Riggins then indicated that with there being no further items for review, the meeting was recessed at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jon G. Waggoner
Secretary to the Board of Trustees