



WAYCROSS-WARE COUNTY **DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

“Where the Ways Cross”

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Community Information:

- ▶ City of Waycross Population 14,166
- ▶ Ware County Population 35,515
- ▶ Daytime Population 60,000
- ▶ Average median income
- ▶ 6,000 foot runway at airport
- ▶ Okefenokee Swamp
- ▶ 2 Industrial Parks
- ▶ Un-employment Rate of 4.9 %
- ▶ Rice Railyard with operational hump

Carolina Skiff:



- ▶ 100,000 Square Foot Expansion
- ▶ Economic Impact of \$106,915,930
- ▶ Labor Shed Impacting:
 - ▶ Atkinson
 - ▶ Bacon
 - ▶ Brantley
 - ▶ Charlton
 - ▶ Clinch
 - ▶ Coffee
 - ▶ Pierce
 - ▶ Ware

GATX

Waycross:



- ▶ \$18,000,000 Capital Investment
- ▶ 45 New Jobs
- ▶ Economic Impact of \$12,246,194
- ▶ Improving Current Personal Property
- ▶ Adding additional Rail Yard
- ▶ \$30,000,000 Revenue Bond

Circle K South East Regional Headquarters:



Baily International Waycross:



- ▶ Capital Investment
\$8,000,000
- ▶ Up to 100 Employees
- ▶ QuickStart Qualified
- ▶ Grand Opening
November 2016



Project Team:

- ▶ Capital Investment
\$10,000,000
- ▶ 55 Employees
- ▶ Working with Pierce Co
and the City of Waycross
- ▶ Ground Breaking to take
place in next few months

What Employers Are Telling Us:

- ▶ “We cannot find employees that can read a tape measure”- Clayton Homes
- ▶ “The last 5 applicants failed their drug test”-Mallard Manufacturing
- ▶ “The employees have no way to work”-Scot Bilt Homes
- ▶ “We need more welders”-GATX
- ▶ “We would hire 100 people if we could find the workforce”- ERC



Community Educational Partners:



South Georgia
State College



WHAT TO EXPECT

- ▶ New Website
- ▶ New Rail Projects
- ▶ Future Distribution Projects
- ▶ Enhancing Our Commercial Park