

## THE STATE OF GEORGIA

### **EXECUTIVE ORDER**

### BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: Certain real property in Georgia, because it exhibits special historical significance, unique natural characteristics, or particular recreational value, constitutes a valuable heritage which should be available to all Georgians, now and in the future; and

WHEREAS: Because of Georgia's rapid population growth in recent decades and resulting changes in land use, many such properties have been altered and their value as part of our heritage lost; and

WHEREAS: Hardman Farm State Historic Site, located in White County, described more precisely on the map and table attached as Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" respectively, which are incorporated herein by reference, is owned by the State of Georgia and under the custody of the Department of Natural Resources; and

WHEREAS: The State purchased said real property to provide protection and enjoyment of its cultural, natural and recreational resources, and to allow compatible forms of scientific research, public education, and recreation; and

WHEREAS: The General Assembly recognizes the above needs and the public interest in the state's heritage and, therefore, has enacted the Heritage Trust Act of 1975 (Georgia Laws 1975, p. 962); and

WHEREAS: Said Heritage Trust Act of 1975 provides that any real property owned by the State of Georgia and under the custody of the Department of Natural Resources may be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve after written recommendation by the Board of Natural Resources and approval by the Governor; and

WHEREAS: The Board of Natural Resources has made a written recommendation that Hardman Farm State Historic Site be dedicated as a Heritage Preserve, and I, as Governor, concur in the Board's desire to protect said real property in the most effective manner available, in order to confer the best and most important benefit to the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

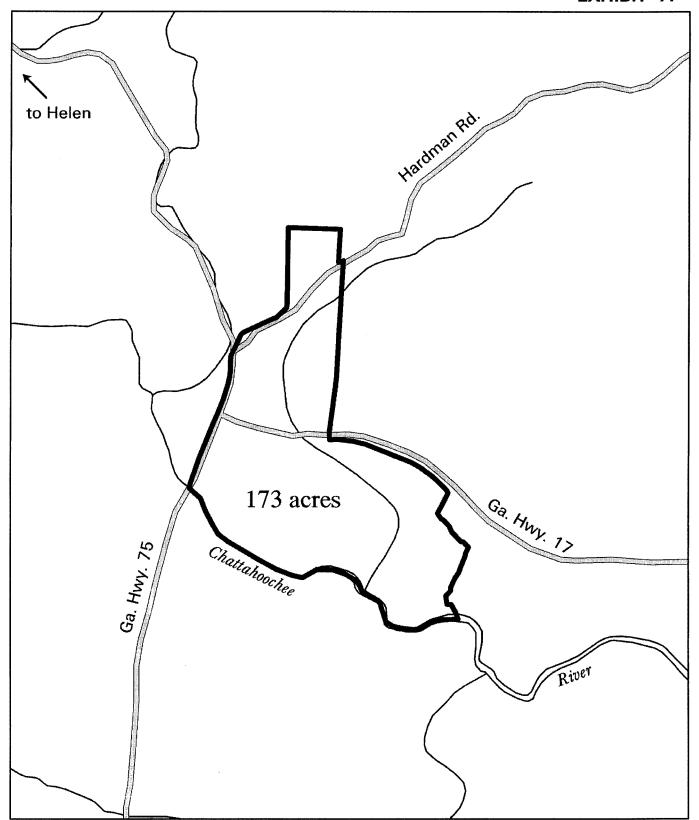
ORDERED: That Hardman Farm State Historic Site dedicated as a Heritage Preserve to protect, conserve and preserve the cultural, natural and recreational resources of this property for the benefit of present and future generations; that its primary management be for preservation of the cultural resources on the property and for scientific research and education through a living history museum; and that only wildlife management such as fishing and outdoor recreational uses which minimize the disturbance of cultural resources, such as observing and photographing nature, hiking and picnicking, also be allowed, to the degree these secondary uses can be accommodated without conflicts with the aforementioned primary uses; all under conditions carefully monitored and controlled by the Department of Natural Resources, and subject to the Board of Natural Resources' general supervision and direction in the protection, management, operation and use of said Heritage Preserve.

#### IT IS FURTHER

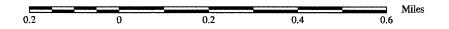
ORDERED: That this Executive Order be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of White County and with the State Properties Commission.

This 2/ day of January, 2004.

GOVERNOR



# HARDMAN FARM STATE HISTORIC SITE



White County

### **EXHIBIT "B"**

### HARMAN FARM STATE HISTORIC SITE

## Locations of Deeds and Plats to State-owned Lands As of September 24, 2003

| County | Conveyor                     | Deed Type and<br>Interest <sup>1</sup> | Acreage <sup>2</sup> | Deed Book:<br>Page(s) | Plat Book:<br>Page(s) |
|--------|------------------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| White  | The Trust for<br>Public Land | Limited Warranty                       | 173                  | 815: 209-216          | 54: 7-14              |
|        |                              | Total Acreage                          | 173                  |                       |                       |

<sup>1.</sup> Unless otherwise stated, deed is warranty deed and interest is fee-simple.

<sup>2.</sup> Acreage figures are for illustrative purposes only.