

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority Commission (the “Commission”), the governing body of the Oconee Joint Regional Sewer Authority (“Authority”), will conduct public hearings (the “Hearings”) related to (i) the adoption of the Authority’s annual budget for the 2026-2027 fiscal year (the “FY 2027 Budget”), and (ii) the imposition of fees and charges (including various increases thereto) for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. The Hearings will be held in order to comply with the requirements of Sections 6-1-80, 6-1-330 and 15-29-40 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended (the “SC Code”).

Notice is hereby given that the Hearings will be held during the Commission meeting on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 4:00 pm (or as soon thereafter as the agenda permits) in the Lamar Bailes Board Room of the Authority’s Operation and Administration Building, which is located at 623 Return Church Road, Seneca, SC 29678. The Hearings shall be conducted publicly and both proponents and opponents of the proposed action shall be given full opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

Consistent with the provisions of Section 6-1-80 of the SC Code, the following information is provided with respect to the Budget: the Wholesale Operations & Maintenance portion of the FY 2027 Budget, as proposed, projects total operating revenues of \$7,106,002 and operating expenditures of \$7,106,002. These amounts represent a 5.1% increase in total operating revenues of \$6,759,426 and operating expenses of \$6,759,426 for fiscal year 2025-2026 (“FY 2026”).

The FY 2027 Budget includes budgeted appropriations (revenues and expenditures) for various funds maintained by the Authority, including; (i) Capital Projects Fund with revenues of \$3,730,021 (includes transfers, use of fund balance, and FY 2026 carryforward), and of expenses \$3,730,021; (ii) Wholesale Impact Fund with revenues of \$1,840,000, and expenses of \$0; (iii) Retail Operations & Maintenance Fund with revenues of \$131,661, including transfers and FY 2026 carryforward, and expenses of \$131,661; and (iv) Retail Impact Fund with revenues of \$5,000, and expenses of \$0. The FY 2027 Budget further includes a \$500,000 transfer to the restricted Capital Projects Fund.

A copy of the proposed FY 2027 Budget, which includes the Authority’s operations and all funds, and Schedule of Fees are posted on the Authority’s website at www.ojrsa.org/info in the Public Notice section.

The Authority currently derives all revenues from its membership and is not authorized to levy tax millage; therefore, the FY 2027 Budget does not include any revenues derived from millage. As a result, the amounts anticipated to be raised from the imposition of the proposed fees and charges proposed by the Authority and incorporated into the FY 2026 Budget were not previously funded from property taxes and are not being imposed as a replacement for property taxes.