

## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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June 12, 2012

Ms. April Chambers P.O. Box 253 Blairsville, GA 30514

Re: Georgia Adopt a Highway Application

Dear Ms. Chambers:

Thank you for your interest in participating in the Georgia Department of Transportation Adopt a Highway program. Your application to participate in the program has been denied.

You have applied for a controlled access section of SR 515, with a speed limit of 65 mph. The Department has determined, in accordance with the written Adopt a Highway documentation, for the safety of any volunteers and the travelling public, this location is not an area which may be adopted.

The impact of erecting a sign naming an organization which has a long rooted history of civil disturbance would cause a significant public concern. Impacts include safety of the travelling public, potential social unrest, driver distraction, or interference with the flow of traffic. These potential impacts are such that were the application granted, the goal of the program, to allow civic minded organizations to participate in public service for the State of Georgia, would not be met.

Sincerely.

Keith Golden, P.E. Commissioner