

MINUTES

Date: May 11th, 2021

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Microsoft Teams

Teams: [Digital Meeting Materials](#)

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. Faculty Senate Meeting Tuesday, April 13th, 2021

APPROVED

2. SPECIAL ORDERS

a. Matthew Hooley, Land Acknowledgement Statement

Dr. Hooley gave an overview on the process and history of the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

b. Chad Carson, Green Crescent Trail

Mr. Carson gave a presentation on the past, present, and future of the Green Crescent Trail. Report attached.

3. REPORT

- a. Robert H. Jones, Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost
Provost Jones gave an update on the strategic planning process, sharing that the plan had been shared with the Board of Trustees at the last meeting. Looking at Covid protocols for summer and fall. Looking at potentially having incentives for those who are vaccinated such as not having weekly testing for those who are vaccinated. Looking at June for these protocols to be reviewed and established. The Provost discussed that a three-year budget is currently being developed. State legislature is looking at a compensation plan for faculty that worked through the pandemic.

b. Standing Committees

1. Finance and Infrastructure Committee; Chair Andrew Brown
No Report.
2. Policy Committee; Chair Lauren Duffy
No Report.
3. Research and Scholarship Committee; Chair Brian Powell
No Report.

4. Scholastic Policies Committee; Chair Lindsay Shuller-Nickles
No Report.
5. Welfare Committee; Chair Andrew Pyle
No Report.

c. University Committees/Commissions

- 1.** Committee on Committees; Chair Mary Beth Kurz
Report attached. Met in April, have three approved committees: Staff Ombuds Review Committee, University Awards Committee, and Faculty Mentoring Committee. Caregivers Task Force will be added, University Club Taskforce has been closed.
- 2.** Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees; Joe Ryan
No Report.
- 3.** President's Report
Report attached.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

1. Commit Delegate Norfolk to Scholastic Policies Committee for the 2021-2022 Session
APPROVED by majority
2. FSR 202101 Interim and Acting Appointments
APPROVED by majority

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Convention of the Delegates Meeting: Thursday, May 13th, 2021, 3:00 p.m.
2. Faculty Senate Advisory Committee Meeting: Tuesday, May 25th, 2021, 2:30 p.m.
3. Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, June 1st, 2021, 2:30 p.m.
4. Faculty Senate Meeting: Tuesday, June 8th, 2021, 2:30 p.m.

Senators:

Kristine Vernon	Karen Kemper	Yongqiang Wang
R. Karthi Karthikeyan	Andrew Pyle	Andrew Brown
Jim Strickland	Brandon Turner	Svetlana Poznanovikj
David Lamie (Alt.)	Liam O'Hara	Hugo Sanabria
David Blakesley	V. "Sri" Sridharan	Mike Sears
Peter Laurence	Lindsay Shuller-Nickles	Daniel Whitehead
Linda Li-Bleuel	Feng Luo	Matt Turnbull (Alt.)
Aga Skrodzka	Thompson Mefford	Krista Oldham
J.T. Thames (Alt.)	Brian Powell	Ed Rock
Lauren Duffy	Nadarajah Ravichandran	

Delegates:

Jennifer Holland
Kristi Whitehead

Guests:

Robert Jones, Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Provost
John D. Griffin, Associate Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies
Gordon Halfacre, University Ombudsman for Faculty and Students
Mary Beth Kurz, Faculty Manual Consultant
Chelsea Waugaman, Faculty Affairs Project Director
John Whitcomb, Past Faculty Senate President
Jeff Appling, Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies
Laurie Haughey, Director of Strategic Communications – Internal Communications
Amy Lawton-Rauh, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs
Wendy York, Dean of College of Business
Melinda Fischer, Grants Administrator & Manager in the College of Education
Neil Calkin, Professor in the School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences
Matthew Hooley, Assistant Professor in the Department of English
Chloe Greene Dixon, Associate Director for Aspire to Be Well, Healthy Campus
Chad Carson, Vice President of the Board of Directors for the Friends of the Green Crescent Trail
Bindu Rangaraju, Deputy Director Operations & Compliance, Medicaid IT Services



GREEN CRESCENT

T R A I L S

Friends of the Green Crescent
501(c)(3) Non-Profit

Our Vision?

CLEMSON = NATIONAL MODEL
Connectivity & Alternative Transportation





The background is a map of the Clemson University area, overlaid with a green tint. Several locations are highlighted with semi-transparent green rectangular boxes containing white text. The locations include: CU Exp. Forest (top left), Central (top center), SWU (top right), Clemson (center), Seneca/Oconee County (left), University (center, partially obscured by the main title), TCTC (bottom center), and CU Exp. Forest (bottom left). The map also shows major roads like I-85 and I-95, and landmarks like the Ed Garrison Arena.

Network of CONNECTIONS

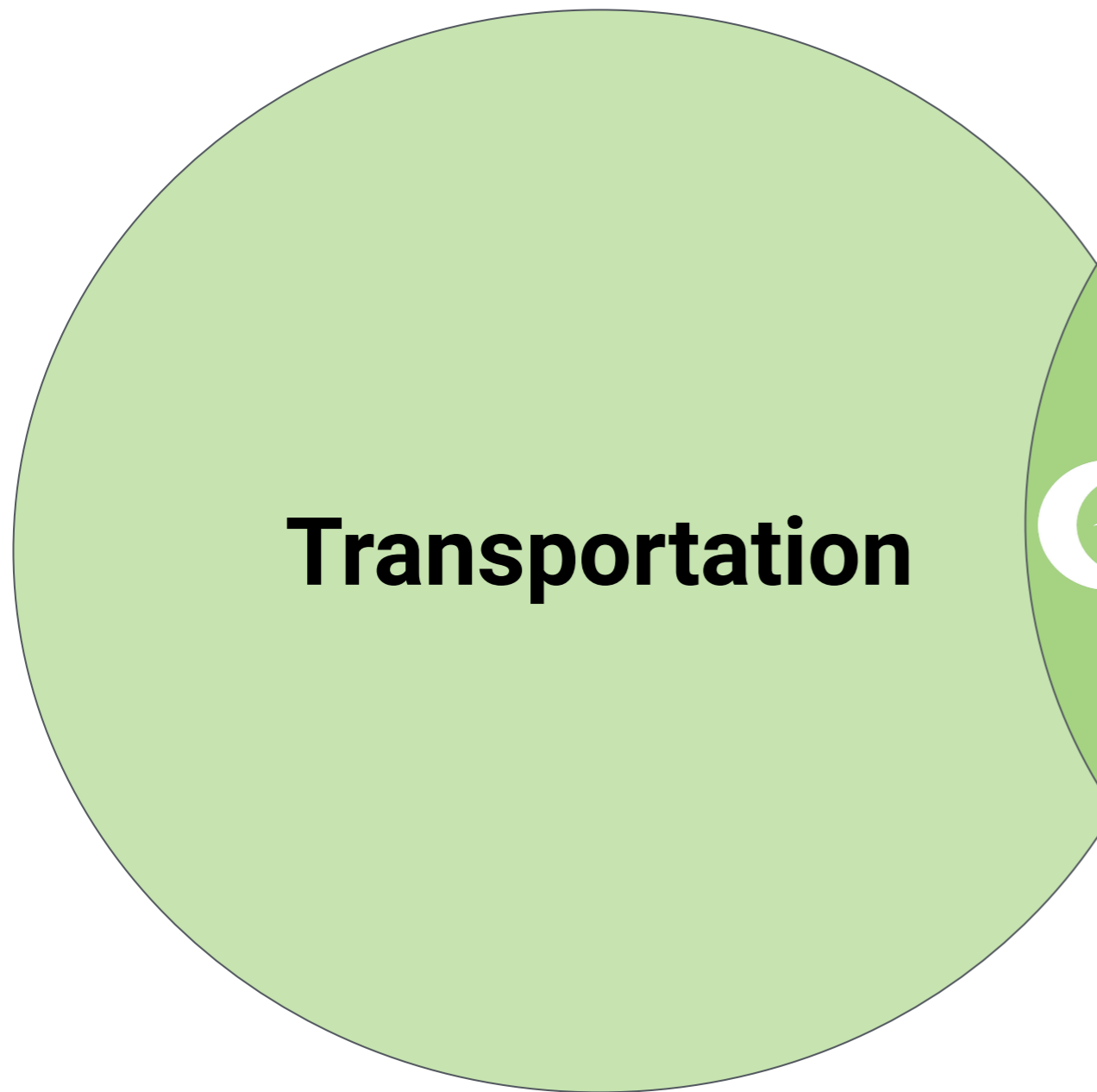


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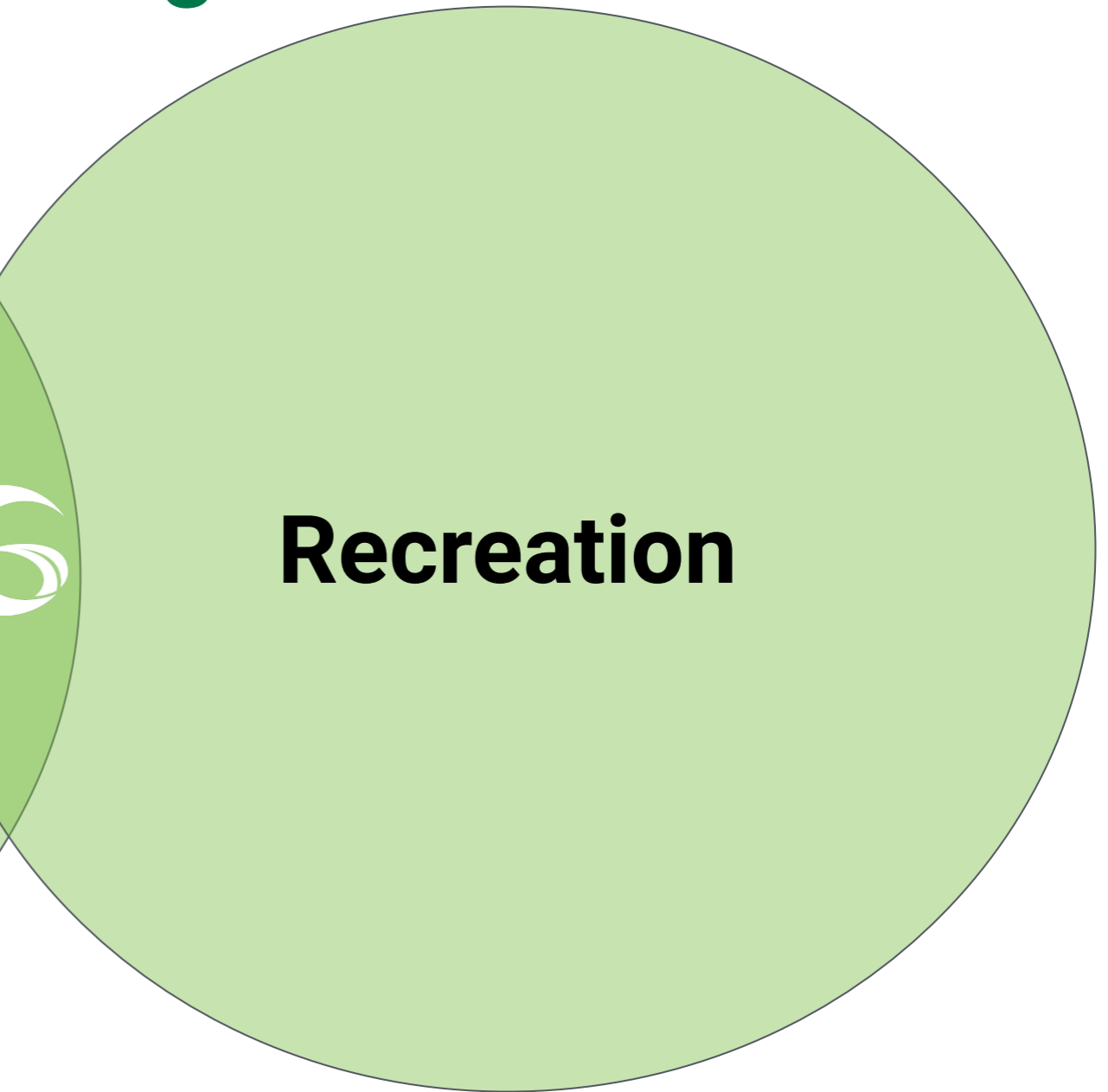
+ Public health

+ Quality of life

+ Traffic mitigation



Transportation



Recreation

+ Sustainability

+ Equity

**+ Recruitment
& Economics**

2030 Plan



Mercury is the closest planet to the sun.

Keowee

Clerkson

Central

Pendleton

Trail Network 25.5 miles by 2030

- 63% completely off-road
- 24% protected bike lanes
- 13% improvements to existing sidewalks/streets

Source: 2030 Green Crescent Implementation Plan, Friends of the Green Crescent

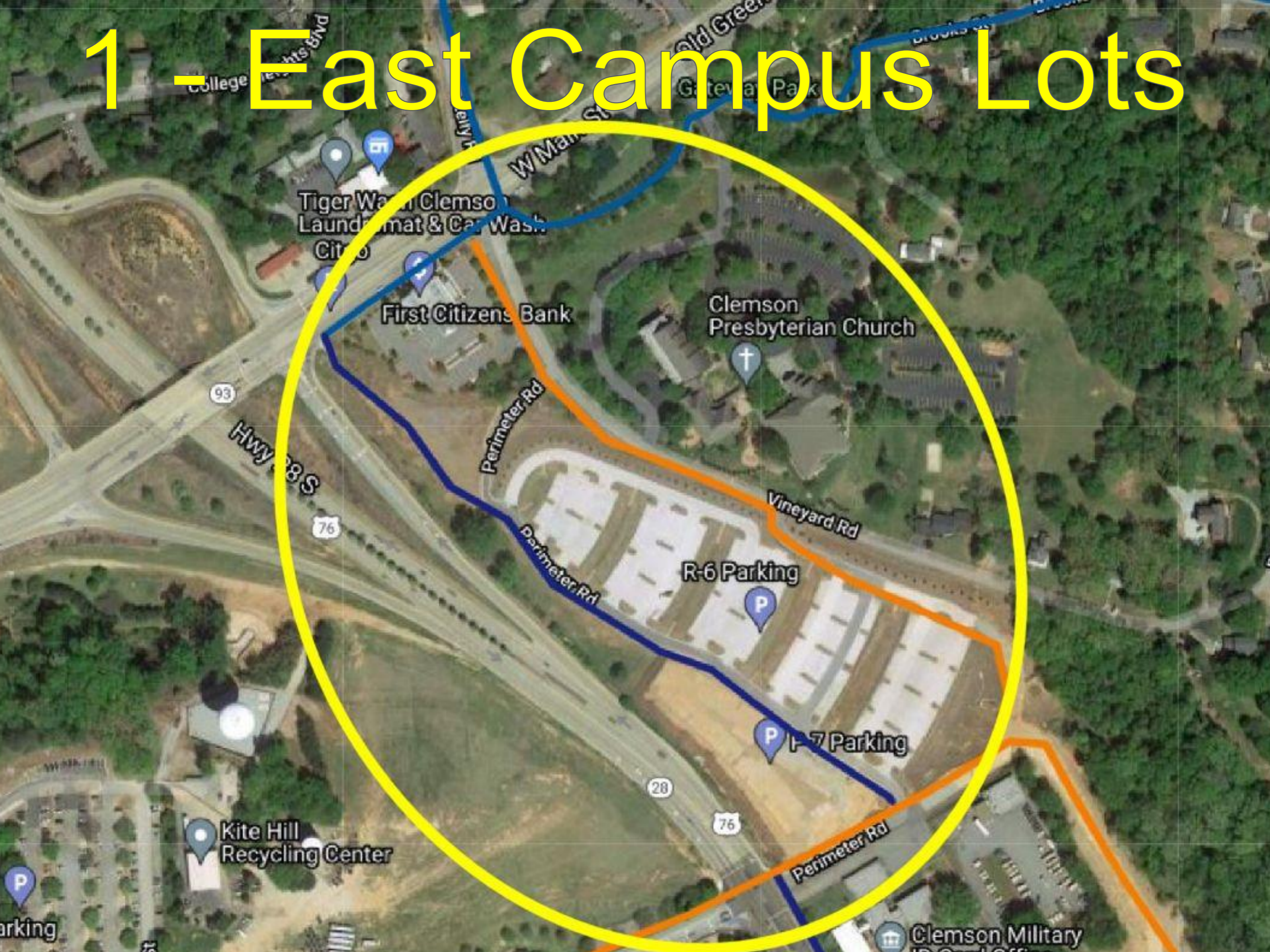
SHORT TERM CONNECTION NEEDS



Short-Term

1. East campus commuter lots to Hwy 76/Perimeter Rd
2. Pendleton Rd (gates) to Hwy 76/Perimeter Rd
3. Walter T Cox to College Ave
4. Perimeter Road to SC Botanical Gardens & core campus

1 - East Campus Lots



203



Street View



2 - Pendleton Rd to Perimeter Rd





2

P F-7 Parking

28
76

Perimeter Rd

Clemson Military ID Card Office

ZV Detailing

Ridgeview Dr

Garden Trail

Hwy 28 S

Rock Creek Rd

Hayden Conference Center

Lacecap Loop

Hwy 28 S

Rock Creek Rd

Hanover House Temporarily closed

Heirloom Vegetable Garden

Pendleton Rd

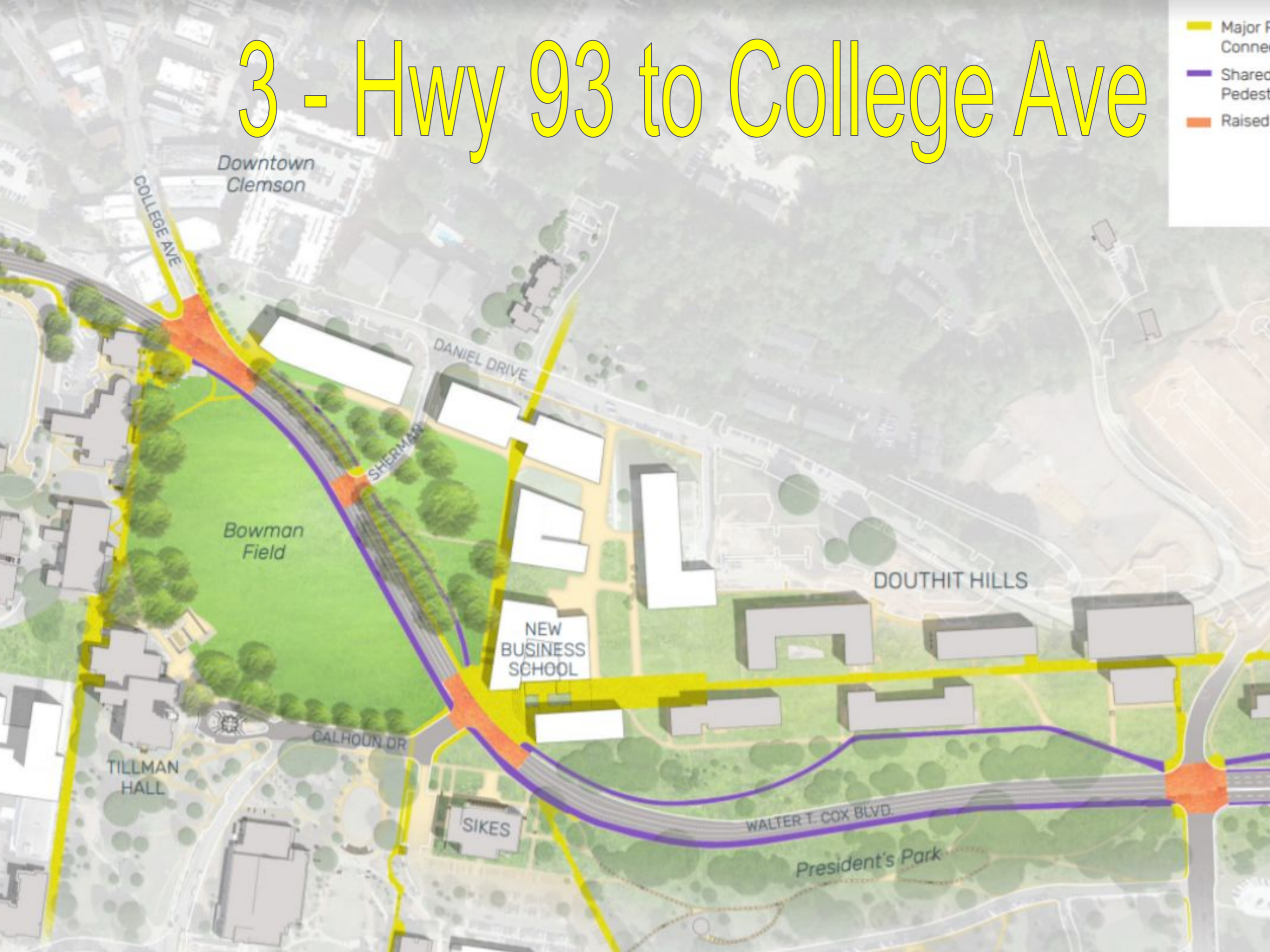
Garden

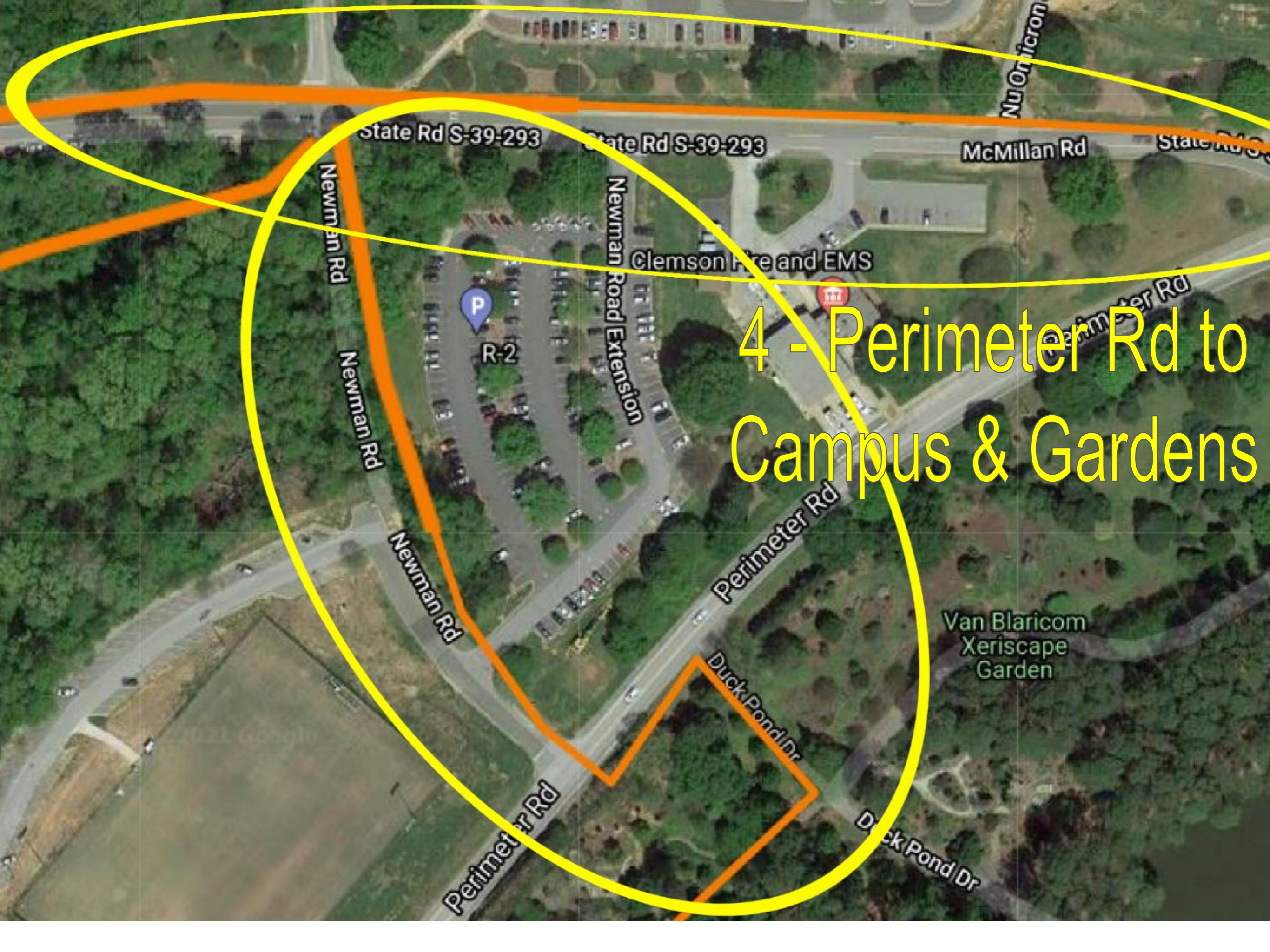
Garden Trail

Lacecap Loop

Columbo's Pizza

3 - Hwy 93 to College Ave





4 - Perimeter Rd to
Campus & Gardens

Other Commuting Connections

1. University-City

- Hwy 93 protected bike lanes
- Cherry Rd/Old Stone Church

2. University-Oconee County

- Hwy 93 to Hartwell Village
- W. Cherry Rd to the Pier

Recreational Connections?

1. Campus to N. Forest
2. Campus to South Forest
3. Hunnicutt Creek Greenway
4. 18-Mile Creek Greenway

10-20 miles of community-wide recreational trail?!

Questions?
#GoConnect



Committees on Committees May Report

- Shared Governance

- Recently approved Committees
 - Staff Ombuds Review Committee
 - University Awards Committee
 - Faculty Mentoring Committee (was a Task Force)
- New Task Forces (FYI on Shared Governance web page)
 - Caregivers Task Force
- Retired / Closed Committees
 - University Club Task Force

- Interdisciplinary Committee

- UCC now requires these for all interdisciplinary programs / courses
- New Committee: Entrepreneurship

Good afternoon.

This is the first time I have formally addressed this body since March 10, 2020.

A few things have happened between now and then.

We, as a faculty, rose to the many challenges that we faced over the past year. In the process we learned a lot, and those lessons should be applied moving forward. Much of our success would not have been possible without the outstanding leadership of Dr. John Whitcomb. Having a critical care nursing faculty member serving as Faculty Senate President could not have been better timed.

Can you join with me for a moment and thank John?

Thinking about this next year, I want to take a moment and talk about the purpose of the Faculty Senate. Per our constitution, the Senate “represents the faculty of Clemson University in its relationship with the university administration; recommends new policies or changes in existing policies to the Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost; and promotes the welfare of the faculty and its members.”

So how do we do that?

Much of the work of the Senate takes place in our committees. Through the executive committee, I have charged many standing agenda items. My request is that the committees conduct the necessary background research on these items and present a timely report giving key recommendations on how to best address the matter at hand. It is through the reports that we shape the University for the better. Through the debate of these reports, we express the concerns of your constituents, so I encourage you to please review these reports before each full Senate meeting.

When I look around this virtual room, I see the best and brightest of the University. I am excited to learn what you think we can do to make this a better place to work, learn, and change lives. Shared governance is hard. It is through the sacrifice of your time that we will be successful. I want to thank you in advance for all the hard work to come.

I also wanted you to be aware that over the past few months, myself, Krista Oldham, and William Everroad, have developed a strategic plan for inclusive excellence for the Faculty Senate. This plan focuses on assessing the climate and infrastructure of the Senate, particularly the composition of our

membership. I have charged the Policy, Welfare, and Research Committees on specific items supporting these efforts. Specifically, I want to mention that there many inequities among the different ranks of our faculty, and I am optimistic that we can begin to address these. Moreover, we have looked internally at how we operate our meetings and activities to be more inclusive. An excellent example of this is how we began today's meeting with a land acknowledgment statement. Over the course of this Faculty Senate session, you will see additional steps the Senate is taking to implement this plan.

With that, I conclude my report.