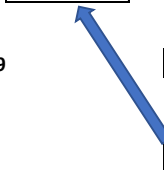


## Rabun County SPLOST 6 Continues

**(February 22,2019)** SPLOST 6, which began in 2013 is still ongoing and will continue until September 30,2019. A report requested by the Rabun County Alliance and the Rabun Coalition for Concerned Citizens shows cumulative activity through January 2019. In the report only one category, Senior Center, is shown as complete as of this date. SPLOST 6 collections through this date were approximately \$17million. We have projected future collections through September 2019 and we anticipate that the collections will fall short of the \$20million budgeted originally in the SPLOST. This will leave a shortfall of approximately \$600k in the projected remaining balance of future County expenditures of \$8million. The County currently holds in its bank account \$5million unspent on several categories. A condensed summary of the County report is shown below;

	Splost 6 2013 Est.Cost	Spent as of January,2019	Balance Remaining	Estimated Completion Date	Project Status
Water & Sewer	9,100,000	7,409,632	1,690,368	Sept 30,2019	
Parks & Recreation (Note1)	2,000,000	922,497	1,077,503	Sept 30,2019	
Solid Waste Management	300,000	-	300,000	Sept 30,2019	
Senior Center	200,000	198,683	1,317		Complete
Fire (Note2)	1,500,000	715,182	784,818	Sept 30,2019	
Roads, Streets Bridges	5,000,000	750,070	4,249,930	Sept 30,2019	
	18,100,000	9,996,064	8,103,936		
Intergovernmental	1,900,000	1,900,000	-		Complete
	20,000,000	11,896,064	8,103,936		
SPLOST 5 Collections to Date		17,175,135			
Unspent Collections in Bank as of January,2019		5,279,071			
Projected Collections (Feb/19 to Sept/19)		2,200,000			
Estimated total SPLOST 6 Collections		19,375,135			
Projected Collection Deficit		(624,865)			



The estimated completion date shown above is simply the end of SPLOST 6 collections and not the estimated completion of these projects or funds. It is also unknown if the balances remaining to spend in each category will be adequate. If history repeats itself the County will reduce the Roads, Street and Bridges category by the potential collection shortfall and any overbudget amounts in other categories. The County has not reported any overbudget categories at this time. It is noted however that this is a significant amount of money remaining unspent after 6 years. The County's own budget for fiscal year 2018/2019 projects \$1million to spent from Roads and as of the report above as of January ,2019, \$750k had been spent. If they spend another 250k per the budget that will leave \$4million still unspent on September 30, 2019 in this category after 6 years.

**Note 1.** Recreations projects include the following per an ad placed by Rabun County in the Clayton Tribune on March 13,2013. Tennis courts, New multipurpose field, additional parking, air conditioning for gyms and for the Golf Course, improve Golf Pro Shop, irrigation and capital equipment.

**Note 2.** Fire projects noted in the same ad stated rebuilding five existing Volunteer Fire Departments including, Warwoman,Tallulah-Persimmon,Cherchero,Satolah and Lakes.



### Sales Tax #3 (actual audited figures)

Project	Budgeted	Total Spent on Project
Roads	\$7,000,000	\$7,641,790
Recreation & New Senior Center	\$2,200,000	\$2,256,216
Solid Waste MGMT System	\$ 250,000	\$ 287,349
Fire Dept, EMS, & Rescue	\$ 550,000	\$ 550,000

### Sales Tax #4 (actual audited figures)

Roads ***	\$6,750,000	\$3,554,724
County Jail	\$4,000,000	\$6,655,408
Recreational Facilities	\$4,000,000	\$4,162,566
Historical Society Building	\$1,000,000	\$1,095,213
Fire Equipment	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000

\*\*\* The Jail was over budget by 2,655,408. A large portion of this was due to increasing steel prices. This amount was subtracted from the Roads budget. In addition to this, we did not collect the entire \$6,750,000 allocated for roads.

### SALES TAX #5 (actual audited figures)

Roads ***	\$7,541,850	\$ 707,288
Hospital Building	\$3,500,000	\$2,861,838
Multipurpose Arena	\$1,500,000	\$2,929,005
Renovation of old Health Dept Bldg	\$1,000,000	\$ 875,561
Fire Department	\$1,000,000	\$ 126,496
Courthouse Renovation	\$ 900,000	\$ 968,215
City of Clayton	\$2,058,000	\$2,058,000
City of Dillard	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000
City of Sky Valley	\$ 450,000	\$ 450,000
Mountain City	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
City of Tiger	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
City of Tallulah Falls	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000

\*\*\* When all of the revenue is collected for Sales Tax#5 we expect to collect approximately \$6,000,000 for Roads. The 1.5 Million that was spent over the budget for the Arena has been deducted from the 7.5 million for Roads.

### PROPOSED SALES TAX #6

THIS IS NOT A NEW TAX, BUT A CONTINUATION  
OF A CURRENT 1% TAX

Rabun County Projects \$18,100,000

Below are potential Recreation Projects  
for the upcoming SPLOST #6: \$2,000,000

<u>Tennis Courts</u>	<u>Improve Golf Course Pro Shop</u>
<u>New Multi-purpose Field</u>	<u>Golf Course Irrigation</u>
<u>Additional Parking</u>	<u>Golf Course Capital Equipment</u>
<u>Air-Conditioning for gyms</u>	

Below are potential Fire Projects  
for the upcoming SPLOST #6: \$1,500,000

Rebuild Five Existing Volunteer Fire Departments:

Warwoman Fire Dept.	Tallulah-Persimmon Fire Dept.
Cherchero Fire Dept.	Satolah Fire Dept.
Lakes Fire Dept.	

Water & Sewer	\$9,100,000
Solid Waste Management Infrastructure	\$ 300,000
Senior Center	\$ 200,000
Roads, Streets & Bridges	\$5,000,000

Dillard Projects \$400,000  
Water and Sewer      Fiber Optic Infrastructure      City Hall

Sky Valley Projects \$350,000  
Sewer      Roads & Streets      City Hall

Mountain City Projects \$500,000  
Roads, Streets & Bridges      Public Safety

Tiger Projects \$450,000  
Roads, Streets & Bridges      Municipal Maintenance Building  
Parks & Recreation      Water and Sewer

Tallulah Falls Projects \$200,000  
Water      Roads, Bridges & Trails      Public Safety