



## CREEK TALK

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### ***What people are saying about Creek on the Blue Mile***

“The Creek on the Blue Mile is a transformative initiative that will establish an incredible economic footprint. This project has the potential to create 750 jobs, improve the quality of life for the people of our city, and strengthen our position as a new era economic hub for our region.”

**Jonathan McCollar**

Mayor  
City of Statesboro

“Wow. Property values now approximately \$1 million. Values increase to \$100 million when Creek Project is completed. I can't imagine the sales tax dollars that will be brought into Bulloch County. Thanks Gov. Nathan Deal for helping improve our economy!”

**Roy Thompson**

Chairman  
Bulloch County Commission

“The Creek on the Blue Mile represents the best of our community, region and state: a fiscally responsible, public-private partnership that will provide Bulloch County and the surrounding region with a transformative economic development opportunity. I'm excited about this project and its unlimited potential.”

**Jon Burns**

State Representative  
Georgia House District 159

“The Creek on the Blue Mile is just another example of the collaborative leadership of local and state government officials which will result in a community-changing project. In the future, citizens will look back on this time as a tremendous improvement in the infrastructure of Statesboro which visibly changed the community for the better.”

**Jack Hill**

State Senator  
Georgia Senate District 4

"The Creek on the Blue Mile will be a real game-changer for this community. I am so proud of the public and private stakeholders who came together to develop a planned project like this. Thanks to all involved, and especially Gov. Nathan Deal, for taking this project to a "let's go" status. I look forward to the groundbreaking!"

**Jan Tankersley**  
*State Representative*  
Georgia House District 160

"The collaborative efforts between so many different entities to bring this legacy project to our community has been unprecedented. The spirit of cooperation, combined with "I think I can" attitude has proven we should never underestimate what a town our size can achieve through teamwork. Working together, many people have made a huge dream come true for Statesboro and Bulloch County."

**Andy Burns**  
*Organizer and Founder*  
Creek on the Blue Mile

"The Blue Mile continues to follow the plan of revitalizing our downtown corridor with the creation of the Creek on the Blue Mile. This project will improve infrastructure, increase available housing, add green-space and pedestrian options, retain and recruit businesses and showcase our Statesboro Stars."

**Keely Fennell**  
*President*  
Blue Mile Foundation

"The storm water infrastructure improvements associated with the new Creek on the Blue Mile will be a dramatic improvement to the downtown area. Additionally, the new reservoir will control flooding while providing a backup drinking water supply for Statesboro and GSU. The economic benefits of this project through increased property values and job opportunities are just the icing on the cake"

**Chuck Perry**  
*CEO*  
EMC Engineering Services, Inc.

"When large employers consider new investment opportunities, the vibrancy and progressiveness of a community are critical to decisions to locate. The Creek on the Blue Mile promises to be the best example of how Statesboro and Bulloch County have planned for and invested in the future of our community."

**Benjy Thompson**  
*Chief Executive Officer*  
Development Authority of Bulloch County

"This announcement reflects the vision and effectiveness of our Chamber's leadership. Once again a project of such significance to current and future citizens can trace roots to the business leaders of this organization. The Chamber exists because of prosperity and free enterprise, and the Blue Mile is a legacy project that would not happen without the Chamber and all our partners in economic revitalization."

**Phyllis Thompson**  
*Executive Director*  
Statesboro – Bulloch Chamber of Commerce

"I'm so excited about the Creek development and the impact it will have on Georgia tourism! This remarkable project, developed with great consideration, promises to create a can't-miss opportunity for visitors. I'm proud to be a part of this innovative team and couldn't be more thrilled for the future of tourism in Statesboro."

**Becky Davis**

*Executive Director*

Statesboro Convention & Visitors Bureau

"The DSDA believes the development of the Creek on the Blue Mile will have significant economic impact in Statesboro. This development landmarks our downtown as a regional destination and provides all the elements that thriving communities possess. It will create a unique experience that will serve and entertain the community for generations to come."

**Allen Muldrew**

*Executive Director*

Downtown Statesboro Development Authority

For more info, visit [www.creekonthebluemile.com](http://www.creekonthebluemile.com).

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