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MEMORANDUM

TO: DFCS County Directors

FROM: Alan Davis, Director of Fiscal Services

RE: **FS E&T Staff Transition**

As you are aware, the Food Stamp Employment and Training (FSE&T) Program operates in counties that meet no Federal waiver or State exemption criteria. Currently in Georgia, 43 counties are waived and 70 counties are exempted from participation. 46 counties are currently active ABAWD (Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents).

Georgia is able to waive participation by counties based on aggregate unemployment data from the U.S. Census. These areas can be waived because they had unemployment rates more than 20% above the national average during a recent 24-month period. Georgia maximizes its usage of the waiver to stretch our federal dollars to provide quality services to mandatory program participants. Georgia has also depleted its reserves of 15% discretionary exemptions. This means only counties covered by the waiver will be exempt from offering FSE&T services.

Effective April 1, 2007, 48 additional Georgia counties are eligible to be waived, including several counties that are currently active ABAWD. Waiving these counties will result in a change in employment status of approximately 26 FSE&T casemanagers and 4 FSE&T supervisors.

Most of this staff has multiple years of service within the Division. The State Office is requesting and authorizing you to allocate employment positions for these employees within your county.

Please contact Batisa Edwards (404-657-3605) should you have questions regarding this important concern. Thank you in advance for your assistance and for your cooperation.

c: Mary Dean Harvey
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Regional Directors
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Region	Current Counties	Current Staff Allocation	April 2007 Counties	Projected Staff Allocation
1	Bartow Catoosa Floyd Gordon Murray Paulding Polk Walker Whitfield	4 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 5 Total	Bartow Catoosa Floyd Gordon Murray Paulding Polk Walker Whitfield Chattooga Dade Fannin Gilmer Haralson Pickens	5 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 6 Total
2	Hall	<u>1 CM</u> 1 Total	Hall Banks Dawson Forsyth Habersham Lumpkin Rabun Towns Union White	4 CMs <u>1- Sup</u> 5-Total
3/4	Clayton Cobb DeKalb Douglas Gwinnett Henry Rockdale Carroll Coweta	14 CMs <u>3 Sups</u> 17 Total	Cherokee Cobb Fayette Douglas Gwinnett Henry Rockdale Coweta	6 CMs <u>1.5 Sups</u> 7.5 Total
5	Barrow Clarke Jackson Newton Walton	4 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 5 Total	Barrow Clarke Jackson Newton Walton Jasper Madison Morgan Oconee	5 CMs <u>1-Sup</u> 6 Total
6/9	Baldwin Bibb Houston Putnam Laurens	6- CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 7 Total	Jones Monroe Houston Pulaski	2 CMs <u>0.5 Sup</u> 2.5 Sups
7	Richmond Columbia	5 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 6 Total	None	0
8/4	Muscogee Troup	5 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 6 Total	None	0
10/11	Colquitt Mitchell Thomas Worth Ben Hill Coffee Lowndes Tift	7 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 8 Total	Grady Lee Thomas Berrien Coffee Lowndes Tift Bacon Brantley Brooks Charlton Cook Echols Lanier Pierce Ware	10 CMs <u>2 Sups</u> 12 Total
12	Bulloch Camden Chatham Glynn Liberty	5 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 6 Total	Bulloch Camden Chatham Glynn Bryan Effingham	5 CMs <u>1 Sup</u> 6 Total

Totals:
51 CMs
10 Sups

Totals:
37 CMs
8 Sups

CM – Case Manager
Sup - Supervisor