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**Department of Veterans Affairs Picks
Tanners Creek Business Park for New Medical Office Building**
New 24,500-foot office to replace current facility on Mundy Mill Road

OAKWOOD, Ga. (Oct. 10, 2011) – The Department of Veterans Affairs has selected Tanners Creek Business Park for the site of its new Oakwood Medical Office Building.

Construction of the new medical office building will begin in early 2012 and is expected to be completed within 18 months. It will replace the VA medical office currently located on Mundy Mill Road in Oakwood. That facility opened in 1999.

The property for the new VA medical office is located off Thurmon Tanner Parkway and is currently not in the Oakwood city limits; however, a request for annexation is currently being processed by Oakwood City staff.

“We are happy to see that the VA medical office will remain in the Oakwood community and are excited about the project,” said Stan Brown, Oakwood City Manager. “Along with providing better service for our military veterans, we also expect to see more jobs with the expanded VA office.”

The new VA medical office location on Thurmon Tanner Parkway also coincides with the commercial phase of the City’s Oakwood 2030 master plan. “We envision this to be the first of many more quality developments in this strategic growth corridor,” Brown said.

With its larger size, the new facility will be able to expand its outpatient services to veterans in the Northeast Georgia area. Those services include primary healthcare, mental healthcare, neurology, aftercare, and programs dealing with substance abuse, smoking cessation, and nutrition.

Engineering Design Technologies of Marietta will design and oversee construction of the 24,500-foot facility at Tanners Creek Business Park.

Tanners Creek already is home to Crystal Springs, National X-Ray, Global Resources, Inc., Colt-Atlantic, Haas Automation, Stevens Learning Systems, Giell Beauty Supply, LBJ Design and the Atlanta Motorsports Group.

“We are pleased that the Department of Veterans Affairs has chosen to locate their new medical building in the Tanners Creek Business Park,” said Alex Wayne of the Tanners Creek Business Park. “They plan to build a very attractive, high-quality facility that will fit well with the other buildings within the park.”