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## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS APPOINTED** **FOR NEW LAKE ARROWHEAD RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT**

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**ATLANTA, GA** (December 2006)- Environmental studies and surveys are such extremely sensitive issues and so important to community relations and future development, a group of professional environmental specialists, Ecological Solutions Inc., of Roswell, has been retained by Lake Arrowhead's new managing entity.

Ecological Solutions has been working closely with developer Johnson Development Company Georgia to oversee ongoing projects to identify streams, delineate wetlands and identify endangered species of wildlife in the area.

According to senior partner John Vermont, the Ecological Solutions team of professionals is reviewing an existing study on the Cherokee Darter to make sure the streams the small fish inhabit will not be disturbed by future construction.

“Our initial plans to protect the Cherokee Darter have been approved by the US Fish and Wildlife Service (which lists the small creek fish as a threatened species),” said Vermont.

Vermont stressed Johnson is very, very sensitive to the environment, adding the average citizen and property owner are not aware of the number of environmental surveys and permits required of developers before any grading can begin on a master development plan.

He also added that Ecological Solutions and Gaskins Surveying and Engineering are working diligently on maintaining the water quality for residents.

“By identifying the natural resources of the property within Lake Arrowhead and helping Johnson Development prepare a master land plan for development sensitive to the surveyed and tested areas, the process will help protect the pristine 540-acre Lake Arrowhead and the land around it,” Vermont asserted.

After studying nine rock piles found in an area of the Lake Arrowhead property to be developed immediately, senior archaeologist and president of R. S. Webb & Associates Steve Webb reported, “We made a thorough investigation and have determined none of the rock piles are graves or pre-historic ceremonial sites. We feel the rocks were placed there many years ago by inhabitants for farming or building.”

The Johnson Development Corp., a residential and commercial developer, founded in 1975 by Larry D. Johnson, has developed over 100 projects in Arizona, California, Colorado, Georgia, Louisiana and Texas.

The company’s award winning metro Atlanta communities include Towne Lake and BridgeMill in Cherokee County. Towne Lake was Atlanta’s sales leader in 1994, 1995 and 1996. BridgeMill has led the metro Atlanta area in home sales for six of the last seven years. For additional information on Johnson Development Corp. and its communities please visit [www.johnsondevelopment.com](http://www.johnsondevelopment.com).

To learn more about the new north Georgia community, call Tommy Elsberry, General Manager of Johnson Development Company Georgia, LLC at 770.420.8210.

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