

LJA acquires Paragon and expands engineering services in Georgia

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LJA Engineering, Inc. (LJA) has acquired Paragon Consulting Group (Paragon), a corporation based in Griffin, Georgia and a respected engineering consulting firm specializing in the private, government, and corporate sectors. Their team of professional engineers, planners, and landscape architects focuses on water resources and transportation projects.

“Paragon has a deep commitment to their region which directly aligns with LJA’s philosophy of being active and involved in the communities we serve,” says Scott McDonald, PE, Vice President, LJA Engineering.

Paragon has been instrumental in the economic development of several municipalities, helping to analyze sites for industrial prospects for development authorities throughout central Georgia. For example, assisting Caterpillar to locate their generator production facility in Griffin, Georgia demonstrates Paragon’s attention to sustainable local development.

Brian Upson, PE, who will stay on with LJA as President of Paragon, founded the firm in 2003 to bring a uniquely qualified, full-service engineering and consulting firm to the market. He has carefully and thoughtfully built Paragon into a team of consultative experts in high demand by government and private sector clients of all types and sizes.

“Paragon’s reputation in their local industry made this relationship a great fit with LJA and our commitment to expanding throughout the Southeastern US. We are excited to call them employee-owners. LJA’s growth benefits our clients and all of their project needs with full-service, in-house capabilities in the areas where we live and work,” says James Ross, President and CEO of LJA Engineering.

LJA and Paragon’s combined strength brings over 300 services and 1350 personnel to Paragon’s core offerings of Wastewater Services, Master Land Planning, Drinking Water Services, Airport and Roadway, Grant Writing Services, Construction Management, Permitting, and Recycled Water Services.

Paragon’s south-Atlanta location will become LJA’s 39th office and expands LJA’s total Southern US presence in Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, and South Carolina to over 50 employee-owners in the region.

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