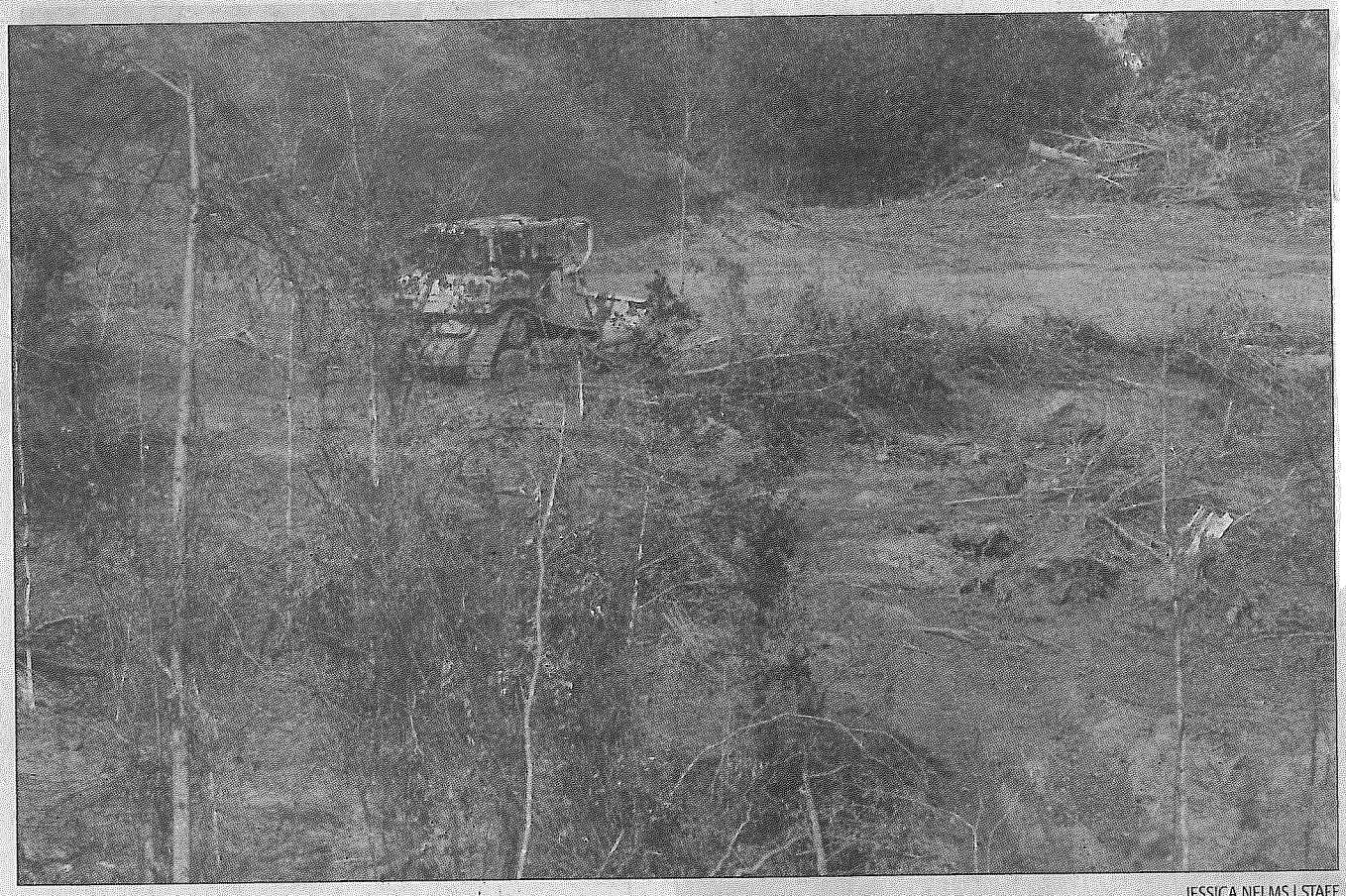


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Runway extension running right along

Muddy conditions from recent rains made clearing work for the runway extension at the Oconee Regional Airport hard work. Several weeks into the project, Airport Director Kevin

Short said there have been no disruptions to traffic. The project, which will extend the runway to 5,000 feet, is scheduled to be completed in August 2010.