

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Advisory Issue Date

Chatham County
City/County

September 18, 2015
Advisory Close Date

BV-025-15-02
Control Number

Vidalia Canal Drainage Improvements/ Access Road Construction
Activity

This advisory is issued to inform the public of a receipt of an Application for a variance submitted pursuant to a state environmental Law. The public is invited to comment during the 30-day period on the proposed activity. Since the EPD has no authority to zone property or determine land use, only those comments addressing environmental issues related to air, water, and land protection will be considered in the application review process. Written comments should be submitted to: Program Manager, NonPoint Source Program, Erosion and Sedimentation Control, 2 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1152 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30354

Type of Permit Application: Variance to encroach within the 25-foot State waters buffer.

Applicable Law: Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act O.C.G.A. 12-7-1 et seq.

Applicable Rules: Erosion and Sedimentation Control Chapter 391-3-7

Basis under which variance shall be considered {391-3-7.05 (2)(A-J)}: A

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact 3,136 linear feet (77,537 ft²) of stream buffer along the Vidalia Canal to construct a pervious gravel road to access the canal for periodic maintenance activities. Project is located off Vidalia Rd. off Chevis Rd.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Leon Davenport
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P.O. Box 8161
Savannah, Georgia 31412

Summary of Rules Requirements for Variance Application:

The application for a variance must include an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan with control measures based on sound conservation and engineering practices which meet or exceed the standards in the "Manual for Erosion and Sediment Control in Georgia" and which will minimize erosion and deposition of sediments on adjacent lands or into State waters.

For Additional Information Contact:

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