ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

July 27, 2016 Notice Issue Date Columbia County City/County

August 26, 2016 Notice Close Date <u>BV-036-16-04</u> Control Number

Springs Lakes Sewer System Rehabilitation/Improvements Activity

This notice 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. Site Plans are immediately available for review and are located in the following EPD office: Watershed Protection Branch 200 Piedmont Avenue, S.W. Suite 418 West Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Please contact Ms. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2387 or e-mail <u>thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov</u> to schedule an appointment to review the plans. 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 1462 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30334

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)}: _____

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact a total of 228 linear feet (3,211 ft²) of stream buffer along Spring Lake to replace undersized 8" and 10" gravity sewer pipes in poor condition with larger diameter 12' and 16" pipes, respectively. Trenchless pipe bursting will take place to minimize buffer disturbances. Project is located on Spring Lakes Drive.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. William Clayton Director, Columbia County Water Utility P.O Box 960 Grovetown, Georgia 30813

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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