## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC ADVISORY WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Whitfield County
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## Williams Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line-Dalton Expansion Project Activity

This <u>advisory</u> is issued to inform the public of a receipt of an <u>Application for a variance</u> submitted pursuant to a state environmental Law. The public is invited to <u>comment</u> during the <u>30</u>-day <u>period</u> 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. <u>Written comments</u> should be <u>submitted</u> to: <u>Program Manager, NonPoint Source Program, Erosion and Sedimentation Control, 2 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30334</u>

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)}: E & K(2)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact a total of 24,480 linear feet and 1,073,572 ft<sup>2</sup> of stream buffer with 245 separate encroachments to construct a new natural gas pipeline in three contiguous segments as well as a lateral spur. The overall construction of the natural gas pipeline will consist of cut and cover of 114.9 miles and is located along the northwest portion of the state. Counties where encroachments will occur include Bartow, Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, Gordon, Murray, Paulding and Whitfield Counties. In Whitfield County, there will be a total of 675 linear feet and 30,022 ft<sup>2</sup> of buffer impacts in 8 separate areas.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Brent Simmons
Transco-Williams Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Company, LLC
P.O. Box 1396 2800
Post Oak Boulevard
Houston, Texas 77056

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: Peggy Chambers, Environmental Specialist

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