ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC ADVISORY WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

<u>April 20, 2016</u> Advisory Issue Date Sumter and Crisp Counties City/County

May 20, 2016 Advisory Close Date BV-040-16-01 Control Number

GDOT Project PI 0012578 SR 30/US 280 over Lake Blackshear 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</u> and Sedimentation Control, 2 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., Suite 1462, 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-k)}: a, h

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Application proposes to impact 1,848 linear feet (46,143 square feet) of buffer to one open water (Lake Blackshear) for the construction of a 41-span bridge over Lake Blackshear. Disturbance activities will consist of placement of fill, the installation of silt fence, and grading activities within the buffer. Project on SR 30/US 280 is located parallel and south of the existing SR 30/US 280 bridge in Sumter and Crisp Counties.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

<u>Mr. Kelvin Mullins</u> <u>Georgia Department of Transportation</u> <u>Office of TIA</u> <u>600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16th Floor</u> <u>Atlanta, Georgia 30308</u>

Summary of Rules Requirements for Variance Application:

The application for a variance must include an approved 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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