ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC ADVISORY WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Plantation Woods BMP and Stream Restoration 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 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, S.W., Suite 1456, 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)}: B

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project involves stream restoration using natural channel design methods. Activities will include reshaping streambanks, restoring in-stream aguatic habitat and buffer enhancement. Buffers will be replanted with native riparian vegetation. A wet detention pond with a constructed wetland fringe will also be constructed for additional water quality improvements within the drainage basin. The project will result in 1,481 linear feet of buffer disturbance along unnamed tributaries to the Upper Yellow River. The project is located within the Plantation Woods Subdivision located off Oakland Road just south of Sugarloaf Parkway on Highway 316 in Gwinnett County.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Pete Wright Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources 684 Winder Highway Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045

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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