

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 11, 2016
Advisory Issue Date

West Point / Troup County
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March 14, 2016
Advisory Close Date

BV-141-15-02
Control Number

City of West Point – Chattahoochee River – Boat Ramp and Buffer Restoration
(East 8th Street, West Point, GA 31833)

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 SW, 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) and (b)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will consist of constructing a concrete boat ramp and gravel parking area along the Chattahoochee River near East 8th Street in West Point. Mitigation for the permanent buffer impacts will consist of installing a grass filter strip (2,500 sq ft) along the perimeter of the proposed gravel parking area and planting native riparian trees and shrubs to restore the buffer (3,325 sq ft) along the Chattahoochee River adjacent to the proposed boat ramp. The proposed project will result in 35 linear feet (925 sq ft) of permanent buffer impacts (i.e., concrete boat ramp) and 160 linear feet (1,625 sq ft) of temporary buffer impacts (i.e., buffer restoration) along the Chattahoochee River in the *Middle Chattahoochee – Lake Harding Watershed.*

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Ed Moon
City Manager, City of West Point
730 1st Avenue
West Point, GA 31833-0487

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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