ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC ADVISORY WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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November 27, 2015 Advisory Close Date BV-155-15-02 Control Number

GDOT Project CSBRG-0008-00(364) <u>PI 0008364</u> <u>SR 3/US 41 Culvert Replacement at Little Swamp Creek</u> 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</u> <u>comments</u> should be <u>submitted</u> to: <u>Program Manager, NonPoint Source Program, Erosion and Sedimentation</u> <u>Control, 2 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., Suite 1462, 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-k)}: a

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Application proposes to impact 73.2 linear feet (687.5 square feet) of stream buffer to one perennial stream within the Coosa Watershed to replace a structurally deficient triple culvert at the SR 3/US 41 crossing of Perennial Stream 4. Disturbance activities will consist of grading and fill for the roadway shoulder and the installation of erosion control silt fencing. Project on SR 3/US 41 begins approximately 0.25 miles south of Valley Point Dr SE and ends at the southern end of Valley Point School in Whitfield County.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

<u>Ms. Hiral Patel</u> <u>Georgia Department of Transportation</u> <u>Office of Environmental Services</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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