ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC ADVISORY WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

<u>December 11, 2015</u>	/Dawson
Advisory Issue Date	City/County
January 11, 2015_	TSV-042-15-0
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Goshen Church Pavilion 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 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, S.W., Suite 1456, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.</u>

Type of Permit Application:	Variance to encroach within the 50-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)}: _F_	
Description and Location of Proposed Activity:	

The proposed project involves buffer encroachments necessary to construct a 20' by 30' pavilion for a covered outdoor recreational area for church members and children. The building will consist of six poles and a roof. Very few trees will be removed, most of which are dead or diseased. Stumps will be ground with a stump grinder. No grading is necessary and mulch will be placed on the ground underneath the pavilion roof. Stormwater from the roof will drain to two separate trench drains returning rainwater into the ground for filtration. The project is located on Goshen Church Road in Dawson County and will result in 54 linear feet (700 square feet) of buffer impacts adjacent to two unnamed tributaries of the Amicalola River.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Tony Singleton
Goshen Baptist Church
1540 Goshen Church Road
Dawsonville, Georgia 30534

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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