ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC ADVISORY WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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TSV-110-15-01
Control Number

Possum Creek Bridge Replacement and Widening 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 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., Suite 1462, 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)}: A

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project involves buffer encroachments necessary to prepare for the future four lane expansion of Dallas-Acworth Highway and replace the existing two lane bridge over Possum Creek with a new four lane bridge. Non-exempt buffer impacts will result from the construction of fill slopes, clearing for grading activities and the installation of silt fence and orange barrier fencing. The project is located along Dallas-Acworth Highway in Paulding County and will result in 290 linear feet of buffer disturbance along two unnamed tributaries to Possum Creek.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Scott Greene
Paulding County Department of Transportation
240 Constitution Boulevard
Dallas, Georgia 30132

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: Michael Berry, Environmental Specialist

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