

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 10, 2020
Advisory Issue Date

Johnson County
City/County

March 11, 2020
Advisory Close Date

BV-083-20-01
Control Number

GDOT Project PI # 0007179
US Highway 221/State Route 171 Bridge at Battleground Creek

This notice 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. Site Plans are available for review and are located in the following EPD office: Watershed Protection Branch 200 Piedmont Avenue, S.W. Suite 418 West Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Please contact Ms. Arnettia Murphy at (404) 463-4157 or email arnettia.murphy@dnr.ga.gov to schedule an appointment to review the plans. 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 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, 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)}: (h)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity: The proposed project would impact Perennial Stream (PS) 5 and Intermittent Stream (IS) 6 for the bridge construction over Battlefield Creek along US Highway 221/State Route 171 in Johnson County. The project would impact 3,404 square feet/ 102 linear feet of the 25-foot state mandated buffer within the Ohoopee River watershed. Disturbance activities will consist of the placement of fill for roadside slopes on the permanent alignment and clearing for contractor access and placement of orange barrier fence (OBF) and other erosion and sedimentation control measures.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Eric Duff
Georgia Department of Transportation
Office of Environmental Services
600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

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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