

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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Notice of Draft Groundwater Withdrawal Permit – Chatham Water Utility, LLC – Affiliated Effingham County Systems – January 28, 2022

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) announces its intent to issue a New Groundwater Withdrawal Permit No. 051-0018 for water withdrawal of 0.481 MGD/ 0.390 MGD (Monthly Average/Annual Average in million gallons per day) from eleven well(s) in the Floridan aquifer for the purpose of a central water supply. The New Permit will consist of three existing Effingham County (No.'s 051-0014, 051-0016, & 051-0017) groundwater withdrawal permits that will be merged into groundwater withdrawal permit No. 051-0018. The cumulative permit limits, cumulative number of wells, and cumulative permit limit reduction schedule will remain unchanged.

NEW GROUNDWATER WITHDRAWAL PERMIT

Permittee's Name: Chatham Water Utility, LLC – Affiliated Effingham County Systems

Permittee's Address: Savannah, GA 31401

River Basin: Savannah and Ogeechee

Comment Period Expires: February 28, 2022

Additional Information: The draft permit and all information used to develop the draft permit are available for review. The information includes the application and all relevant supporting materials available to the permitting authority used in the permit review process. This information is available for review at the office of the Watershed Protection Branch, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., S.E., East Floyd Towers, Suite 1152, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. All comments received prior to or on the comment period expiration date above will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the permit.

Persons wishing to comment on the draft Permit are required to submit their comments, in writing, to:

Bill Frechette, Unit Manager Water Supply Program – **Groundwater Withdrawal Unit** 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., S.E. East Floyd Towers, Suite 1362 Atlanta, Georgia 30334

A public hearing may be held if the Director of the EPD finds a significant degree of public interest in a draft permit.