ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

March 11, 2022

Notice Issue Date

Carroll County

City/County

April 11, 2022
Notice Close Date
BV-022-22-01
Control Number

Big Indian Creek Mitigation Site
Stream Restoration
GPS Coordinates: 33.509, -85.287
Activity

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 470-607-2940 or e-mail 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 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)}: <u>B</u>

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact 10,800 linear feet (530,125 ft²) of stream buffer along Indian Creek and seven tributaries to perform streambank restoration measures. The project is for creation of a mitigation bank for customers in need of purchasing credits to satisfy the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers mitigation requirements. The streams will be reconfigured to include bends, meanders, and improvements to the pattern, plan and profile of the streams. Water quality will be improved by removal of the current livestock and confined feeding areas and cattle ingress and egress of the streams. Upon completion of land-disturbance, the streams buffers will be planted with a native canopy of riparian vegetation appropriate for the area. The project will disturb 57-acres within a 174-acre site. The project is located at 1313 Watts Rd. Bowden, Georgia.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Matt Windom

Carroll County Water Authority

556 Old Bremen Rd.

Carrollton, Georgia 30117

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: Peggy Chambers, Environmental Specialist

EPD, Watershed Protection Branch

NonPoint Source Program

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