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 SW, Suite 418 West, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact Ms. Arnettia Murphy at (404) 656-4147 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 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW, Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, GA 30334.

Activity

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)}: (d)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed design-build sanitary sewer system improvement project will consist of abandoning-in-place and or removing existing sanitary sewer lines and installing approximately 10,545 linear feet of new sanitary sewer lines (including 12" Ø, 24" Ø, 30" Ø and 36" Ø DIP and 18" Ø, 24" Ø, 30" Ø and 36" Ø PVC pipe lines) and associated manholes between North Decatur Road and Rowland Road in DeKalb County. All disturbed areas will be returned to original grade and stabilized with mulching and permanent vegetation and all open-cut trenches will be backfilled and restored to current conditions to the extent practicable. Construction activities will result in 8,019 linear feet total (182,012 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along Indian Creek and Snapfinger Creek in the Upper Ocmulgee Watershed.
Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Tiffany Simpson-Ware  
DeKalb County Department of Watershed Management  
4572 Memorial Drive  
Decatur, GA 30032

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: Frank M. Carubba, Environmental Engineer  
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