

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

August 14, 2020  
Notice Issue Date

DeKalb County  
City / County

September 14, 2020  
Notice Close Date

BV-044-20-16  
Control Number

DeKalb County Department of Watershed Management  
Eagles Beek – Streambank Stabilization – Panthers Branch  
Eagles Beek Circle / Eagle Rise, Stonecrest, GA 30038  
(GPS Coordinates: 33.678484, -84.201830)

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 SW, Suite 418 West, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact Ms. Arnettia Murphy at (404) 656-4147 or email [arnettia.murphy@dnr.ga.gov](mailto: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.

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)}: (a)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Continued streambank erosion along Panthers Branch will eventually impact an existing sanitary sewer line crossing located near Eagles Beek Circle and Eagle Rise in DeKalb County. The proposed streambank stabilization project will consist of grading the eroding streambanks to a more slope and integrated bio-engineering practices (including soil encapsulated lifts with coir erosion control mat and block system, *Black Willow* and *Silky Dogwood* live stake cuttings and permanent native riparian seed mix, turf reinforced matting and riprap toe protection). This project will result in approximately 80 linear feet total (3,455 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along Panthers Branch, a tributary to Snapfinger Creek, in the *Upper Ocmulgee Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Kian Baniassad, PMP  
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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