ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

April 26, 2022 Notice Issue Date

May 26, 2022 Notice Close Date Effingham County City/County

BV-051-22-01 Control Number

<u>Streambank Stabilization-Upriver Dissolved Oxygen Plant/</u> <u>Sheet Pile Wall Addition/Construction</u> <u>GPS Coordinates: 32.2101, -81.0952</u> 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 <u>arnettia.murphy@dnr.ga.gov</u> 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)}: <u>A</u>

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) proposes to impact 59 linear feet (1480 ft²) of stream buffer along the Savannah River. The Corps would vertically raise 15 linear feet (LF) of existing sheet pile wall from 12 to 15 LF and horizontally extend the wall 59 LF to the east to protect the dissolved oxygen system to the Savannah River by increasing amount of DO in the riverine system during warmer months when DO levels are low. This project is for water quality mitigation for the Savannah Harbor Expansion Project. Project is located off Ft. Howard Rd. through gates within Georgia Pacific Corporation.

 Name and Address of Permit Applicant:
 Mr. Alexander Gregory

 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 Savannah District

 100 W. Oglethorpe Ave.
 Savannah, Georgia 31401

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 2 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East Atlanta, Georgia 30334 Telephone: 470/938-3880 FAX: 404/651-8455