

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Notice Issue Date

Forsyth County
City / County

November 4, 2019
Notice Close Date

BV-058-19-07
Control Number

Hendricks Middle School – Pine Lake – V-Notch Dam Breach
(Hyde Road / Drew Campground Road, Cumming, GA 30040)
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) 656-4157 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.

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:

Pine Lake is located along an unnamed tributary to Cobb Creek near the intersection of Hyde Road and Drew Campground Road in Forsyth County. The height and maximum storage capacity of the existing earthen embankment dam are estimated to be 20 feet and 15 acre-feet, respectively. The existing earthen embankment dam has been categorized as hydraulically and structurally deficient. Therefore, this project will consist of removing all drainage structures and breaching the earthen embankment dam (i.e., v-notch with a riprap lined channel with 2H:1V slope to the stream gradient). All disturbed areas will be stabilized with permanent vegetation. The proposed project will result in approximately 876 linear feet total (36,590 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along Pine Lake and an unnamed stream, tributaries to Cobb Creek in the *Upper Chattahoochee Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Tim Amerson, Director of Facility Planning
Forsyth County Schools
1120 Dahlonega Highway
Cumming, GA 30040

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:

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