ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

July 7, 2021 <u>City of Cumming/Forsyth County</u>

Notice Issue Date City/County

August 6, 2021
Notice Close Date

BV-058-20-06
Control Number

Buford Dam Road Extension/
Castleberry Road to Veterans Memorial Highway
GPS Coordinates: 34.199, -84.145
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 (404) 656-4157 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 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)}: K2

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact 296 linear feet (13,025 ft²) of stream buffer along an unnamed tributary to Big Creek to construct a roadway extension of Buford Dam Road to connect Castleberry Road with Veterans Memorial Boulevard. The majority of the property is asphalt and is mainly used for the Cumming Fairground Main Parking Lot. The applicant proposes to remove a portion of the asphalt already within the stream buffer to construct the proposed roadway. Upon completion of land-disturbing activity, the stream buffer will be replanted with a multi-trophic canopy of native riparian species. Site is located at 260 Castleberry Road.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Phil Higgins

City of Cumming 100 Main St.

Cumming, Georgia 30040

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

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