## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 14, 2024 Notice Issue Date

Forsyth County City / County

March 14, 2024 Notice Close Date BV-058-24-01 Control Number

<u>Meadow Brook Farms</u> (GPS Coordinates: 34.3255, -84.1507)

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 File Room, 2 MLK Jr. Drive, SW, West Tower, Balcony, Suite 418, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact GORArequest.Water@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. Comments may be submitted via e-mail to: <u>EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov</u>. Comments may also be provided in writing to: Program Manager, Nonpoint Source Program, Erosion and Sedimentation Control, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW, Suite 1452 East, Atlanta, GA 30334. The words "Buffer Variance Comment", including the Control Number shown above, should be placed in the e-mail subject line (if sent via e-mail) or on the top of the first page of written comments to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the appropriate staff.

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:

The proposed project intends to breach an earthen dam and restore the previously impounded stream on Westray Road, in unincorporated Forsyth County. Land disturbing activities for this project include dam removal, grading, and stabilization practices. Encroachments necessary total 3,484 square feet along 230 linear feet within the buffer of an unnamed tributary of Cogburn Creek. This project is within the Etowah Watershed (03150104).

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:	Jeff Ransom
	David Weekly Homes
	5775 Glenridge Drive, Building B, Suite 210
	Atlanta, GA 30328

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:

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