ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Notice Close Date

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Control Number

Big Haynes Wetland Diversion Structure Improvements

GPS Coordinates: 33.8433, -83.9840

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)}: A

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact 40 linear feet (2,216 ft²) of stream and buffer along one unnamed tributary that flows to Big Haynes Creek and a second unnamed tributary that flows to constructed wetlands. The two current boulder weirs below are not functioning correctly below the plunge pool, and 20 feet of the left bank of the tributary is eroding at the toe wood and boulder stabilization structure. Impacts include replacement of the diversion weirs, redesigning the plunge pool with an expanded footprint, and replacing the contiguous grade control structure with two low flow weirs that splits flows between the constructed wetlands and the tributary. There will also be minor re-alignment of 20' to 30' feet of stream approximately 5' from its current position immediately downstream of the new plunge pool to eliminate a sharp turn and allow for a stable slope. The project is located off Haynes Creek Lane in the City of Snellville.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Ms. Rachel Jones

Gwinnett County of Water Resources

684 Winder Highway

Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045-5012

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

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