ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

August 12, 2020
Notice Issue Date

Jenkins County
City / County

September 11, 2020
Notice Close Date
BV-082-18-01
Control Number

<u>Concrete Boat Ramp – Ogeechee River</u> <u>Fairfield Road, Millen, GA 30442</u> (GPS Coordinates: 32.7967, -82.0110)

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) 656-4147 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:

This project will consist of constructing a *new* concrete boat ramp with adjacent riprap with a fabric underlayment along the Ogeechee River near Fairfield Road in Jenkins County. Mitigation for the permanent buffer impacts (700 square feet) will consist of the purchase of 88.5 stream mitigation credits from a United States Corps of Engineers (USACE) approved stream mitigation bank located within the Primary Service Area (PSA) serving the 8-digit HUC (HUC 03060201 - Upper Ogeechee Watershed). The proposed project will result in approximately 40 linear feet total (965 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along the Ogeechee River in the *Upper Ogeechee Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Eddie Hodges

5067 Paynes Chapel Road

Millen, GA 30422

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: Frank M. Carubba, Environmental Engineer

EPD Watershed Protection Branch

NonPoint Source Program

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