## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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July 15, 2022BV-106-22-01Advisory Close DateControl Number

SR 85/US 27 Alt Southbound and Northbound at CR 1660/Miller Road (GPS Coordinates: 32.52246, -84.892410)

## 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 (470) 607-2940 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), (h) & (k)(1)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity: <u>The proposed project will impact the buffer of Buffered State</u> Water (BSW) Aa, Intermittent Stream (IS) 1, Perennial Stream (PS) 2, IS 3, and PS 4. The project will replace the existing northbound and southbound bridges along SR 85/US 27 Alt over CR 1660/Miller Road in Muscogee County. The project will impact the state mandated 25-ft buffer within the Middle Chattahoochee-Walter F. George watershed (HUC 03130003). The disturbance will cover 40,659 square feet and include clearing for construction access, cut/fill, construction of ditches, and the installation of Best Management Practices (BMPs).

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Eric Duff

Georgia Department of Transportation Office of Environmental Services 600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor

Atlanta, Georgia 30308

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: Josh Hanselman, Environmental Compliance Specialist

EPD, Watershed Protection Branch

Non-Point Source Program

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