

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

May 21, 2020  
Advisory Issue Date

Toombs County  
City/County

June 22, 2020  
Advisory Close Date

BV-138-20-02  
Control Number

US1/SR4 Corridor Improvements Toombs County  
(GPS Coordinates: 32.095810,-82.364439)

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](mailto: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

Description and Location of Proposed Activity: The proposed project would impact Intermittent stream 110,112, 128A, Open water 115, 119A, 120, 121, and Perennial stream 116, 118A, 119 within Toombs county. Intermittent stream 140 and Open water 141 are within in the Lyons city limits and will also be impacted. The project would widen sections of US1 and create new bypass around the city of Lyons. The project would impact the state mandated 25-ft buffer within the Ohoopsee Watershed HUC 03070107. The disturbance would cover 185,295 sqft and include the draining, piping, filling, bank clearing, and the placement of 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:

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