

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

July 27, 2022
Notice Issue Date

LaGrange/Troup County
City/County

August 26, 2022
Notice Close Date

BV-141-22-04
Control Number

LaGrange Thread PH VII
(GPS Coordinates: 33.029185, -85.034598)

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)}: (f)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will construct a multi-use trail to connect with an existing trail. The plan was designed with minimal buffer disturbance in mind; however, there are unavoidable areas of buffer disturbance due to existing property lines and topography. After construction the streambank will be more stable due to multi-trophic native riparian vegetation placed in all practicable locations. Permanent buffer impacts will be mitigated by replanting 6,809 square feet with native riparian vegetation. The proposed project, planned for 1-2 months, will result in 558 linear feet (10,016 total ft²) of buffer disturbance located near Oseligee Creek in the Middle Chattahoochee Watershed (3130002).

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Ms. Meg Kelsey
City Manager
City of LaGrange
200 Ridley Avenue
LaGrange, GA 30240

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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