## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

January 8, 2021 <u>Turin/Coweta</u>
Advisory Issue Date <u>City/County</u>

February 8, 2021 BV-038-20-04
Advisory Close Date Control Number

State Route 54 at Shoal Creek 4.4 Miles North of Turin
Coweta County (PI # 0013930)
(GPS Coordinates: 33.390010, -84.624534)

## 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 <a href="maintenance-murphy@dnr.ga.gov">arnettia.murphy@dnr.ga.gov</a> 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: <a href="maintenance-murphy@dnr.ga.gov">Program Manager</a>, 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 Georgia Department of Transportation will be conducting a bridge replacement project on State Route 54 over Shoal Creek 4.4 miles north of the city of Turin. The project will impact Jurisdictional Ditch (JD) 2 and Buffer State Water (BSW) A, both tributaries of Shoal Creek. The project will cause 44,561 square feet of buffer disturbance, consisting of, clearing and grubbing, regrading of slopes, deposition of fill material, and revegetation of disturbed areas with riparian grass mix using GDOT Standard Specification 700 protocol. Post construction riparian habitat will be diminished. These impacts will be mitigated for through the use of best management practices (BMPs) throughout the construction process and the purchase of off-site mitigation credits.

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: Andres H. Santana, Environmental Specialist

EPD, Watershed Protection Branch

NonPoint Source Program

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