

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

August 19, 2019
Notice Issue Date

City of Canton
City/County

September 18, 2019
Notice Close Date

BV-028-19-03
Control Number

Etowah River Trail Extension
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. Clara Davis at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail clara.davis@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)}: F

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The City of Canton proposes to impact 504 linear feet (12,471 ft²) of stream buffer along the Etowah River to extend a section of the Etowah River Trail. Impacts include placement of 25 H-piles driven into the streambank to support an elevated 10 foot-wide boardwalk. The city proposes to increase the riparian buffer along the 1.78-miles of trail from 25 to 50 feet in a permanent conservation easement as mitigation for the disturbance. The project is located on Brown Industrial Parkway at Etowah River Park.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Ms. Bethany Watson
City of Canton
110 Academy St.
Canton, Georgia 30114

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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