

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

January 12, 2021
Notice Issue Date

City of Helen/White County
City/County

February 11, 2021
Notice Close Date

TSV-154-20-01
Control Number

Sewerline Stabilization
GPS Coordinates: 34.7, -83.7
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 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 50-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

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact 266 linear feet (4,807 ft²) of stream buffer along the northern bank of the Chattahoochee River to stabilize 40' of visible sewer line that has been exposed due to erosion. The exposed sewer line will be encased within a protective layer of 18" diameter steel and anchored into the northern streambank. Large grade rock will be placed on the streambank for stabilization and avoid exposure. The applicant proposed to place the large rock through crane access from the southern bank, as the northern portion of the site is constrained by housing and topography. Project is located approximately 450 west of the Brucken Strasse Bridge within the city limits of Helen Ga.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Jerry Elkins, City Manager
City of Helen
25 Alpenrosen Strasse
P.O. Box 280
Helen, Georgia 30545

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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