ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

May 11, 2020 Notice Issue Date Whitesburg/Douglas, Carroll, & Coweta City / County

June 11, 2020 Notice Close Date BV-022-20-01 Control Number

<u>Yates Lateral 12" Retrofit</u> <u>Atlanta Gas Light, Natural Gas Pipeline Repair</u> (GPS Coordinates: 33.647567, -84.895593)

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 $\{391-3-7-.05(2)(a-k)\}$: (e)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will consist of excavating a natural gas pipeline in eight non-contiguous locations (28 small excavation sites in total) for inspection and repairs. During construction, best management practices will be utilized in all areas of disturbance to minimize erosion, including limiting the area of each disturbance. After repairs are completed on the existing pipe, all disturbed areas and stream buffers will be fully restored to pre-construction or better conditions. The proposed project will result in approximately 395 total linear feet (13,701 total square feet) of buffer disturbance lasting for approximately 6 to 12 months, located at an unnamed tributary to Bluff Creek, Bluff Creek, an unnamed tributary to Wolf Creek, Wolf Creek, an unnamed tributary to Snake Creek, an Unnamed tributary to Chattahoochee River, and an unnamed tributary to Wahoo Creek. The project will begin near North Helton Road in Douglas County, continue along targeted areas of the pipeline through Carroll County, and end near Macedonia Road in Coweta County. The project is located entirely in the Middle Chattahoochee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Dean Marianos Atlanta Gas Light 10 Peachtree Place NE Atlanta, GA 30309

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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