Laura Lake Dam Rehabilitation  
(GPS Coordinates: 34.00616, -84.55518)

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. Arnetta Murphy at (404) 656-4147 or email arnetta.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)}:  (a)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will rehabilitate a dam to meet Safe Dam requirements, including updates to the outlet control structure, weir, spillway, riser, pipework, and riprap outlet. Dredged materials will be removed. After construction the normal pool elevation will be returned, and slopes will be stabilized with vegetation. The proposed project will result in 394 total linear feet (8,092 total ft²) of buffer disturbance lasting approximately 15 months located near at Laura Lake and Noonday Creek in the Etowah Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:  Commissioner David Breaden  
Cobb County BOC  
100 Cherokee Street  
Marietta, GA 30090

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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