

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 21, 2022
Notice Issue Date

Gwinnett
City / County

March 23, 2022
Notice Close Date

BV-067-22-02
Control Number

Brooks Road Stream Realignment Project
(GPS Coordinates: 33.943191, -83.873758)

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)}: (b)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will realign, restore, and stabilize a stream and its eroding banks to ensure the safety of the adjacent roadway and private driveway. The culvert beneath the private driveway is to be replaced. Measures to ensure long term stability include check dams, a roadside swale, and turf reinforcement matting. Vegetative measures include permanent seeding, live stakes, and several new shrubs and hardwoods to accompany the trees to be preserved on site. The proposed project will result in 1,246 linear feet (33,184 ft²) of buffer disturbance lasting between 4-5 months. The project is located at an unnamed tributary to Palm Creek in the Upper Ocmulgee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Mark Lawrence
Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources
684 Winder Highway
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

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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