ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Eastern Regional Infrastructure
(GPS Coordinates: 34.0119, -83.8791 and 34.0009, -83.8640)

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)}: (d)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will install gravity sanitary sewer, sanitary force main, and water main via open cut as infrastructure for a future development on 50.5 acres. The plan was designed with minimal buffer disturbance in mind; however, buffer disturbance was unavoidable in two work areas. During construction BMPs such as silt fencing and disturbed area stabilization will prevent erosion; after construction the buffer will be restored to previous conditions by planting native grasses. The proposed project will result in 455 total linear feet (3,756 total ft²) of buffer disturbance lasting approximately 3 days located near the Apalachee River in the Upper Oconee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Rick Schoeck

Senior Project Manager

Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources

<u>684 Winder Highway</u> <u>Lawrenceville, GA 30045</u> 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: Victoria A. Adams, Environmental Specialist

EPD Watershed Protection Branch

Nonpoint Source Program

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