

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

May 9, 2022

Notice Issue Date

Braselton/Jackson County

City / County

June 9, 2022

Notice Close Date

BV-078-22-01

Control Number

Braselton Parkway Distribution Center
(GPS Coordinates: 34.125194, -83.770181)

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)}: (h)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will result in the construction of a 3-building distribution center and associated infrastructure on a 73.3-acre site. Alternative plans were explored and the proposed is the least disruptive to the buffer. Buffer encroachments are for site grading for building pads and parking, and storm water management structures. After construction, a total of 6 stormwater ponds on the property will help protect downstream water quality and manage stormwater flows. The proposed project will result in 440 linear feet (24,312 ft²) of buffer disturbance lasting approximately 24 months located at an unnamed tributary to Mulberry River in the Upper Oconee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Mike Irby
Taylor & Mathis
400 Interstate North Parkway
Suite 850
Atlanta, GA 30339

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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