## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

<u>January 5, 2022</u> <u>City of Fort Benning</u>

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February 4, 2022
Notice Close Date
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92792 Military Intelligence Battalion Fort Benning (GPS Coordinates: 32.341470, -84.979719)

## 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 grade, clean, fill, and revegetate slopes for the construction of a Military Intelligence Battalion Headquarters and a Central Operations Facility. Alternative layouts were explored, and this least impactful design will incorporate 6 bioretention areas and an underground retention system to ensure improvement to downstream water quality. The proposed project will result in 71 total linear feet (1,029 total ft²) of buffer disturbance lasting approximately 6 months located at an unnamed tributary to Laundry Creek in the Chattahoochee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Craig Taylor

US Army Directorate of Public Works

Fort Benning Georgia
6650 Melody Drive
Building 6, Room 318
Fort Benning, GA 31905

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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