

EPD Watershed Protection Branch

Notice of Public Meeting on Draft Rule Amendments Under Consideration for Chapter 391-3-7 and Buffer Mitigation Guidance Updates

The Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD) Watershed Protection Branch will hold a virtual public meeting to discuss draft rule amendments. The meeting will be held on **Thursday, December 16, 2021 beginning at 10:00 am** on the Zoom web conferencing platform.

The draft rule amendments to be discussed are specific to **Chapter 391-3-7, Erosion and Sedimentation Control**. EPD is considering draft rule amendments that will ensure consistency and compliance with House Bill 577 and include other clarifying amendments to the rules. Updates to EPD's Buffer Mitigation Guidance will also be discussed.

The goal of this meeting is to provide the public, affected organizations, and other stakeholders an opportunity to provide input and feedback on the draft rule amendments. EPD will also listen to comments and address stakeholder questions during the meeting. The draft amendments are available for review at this link: <https://epd.georgia.gov/watershed-protection-branch/erosion-and-sedimentation>. A copy of these items may also be requested by contacting Michael Berry of the Watershed Protection Branch at michael.berry@dnr.ga.gov or (404) 651-8554.

Zoom Meeting Details:

December 16, 2021, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Link to join:

<https://gaepd.zoom.us/j/98481408464?pwd=Nk5rMEN6VnVHMUxCbWNwTzkxaEcwdz09>

Meeting ID: 984 8140 8464

Passcode: 049831

Those joining via computer can use their computer audio, or may also dial-in.
Dial-in number: 1-877- 853-5247 (with same Meeting ID & Passcode as above)

At the public meeting, anyone may present data, make a statement, or offer comments either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, should be submitted in writing.

Written comments are also welcomed and must be received by close of business on **Monday, December 27, 2021**. Written comments may be emailed to EPDComments@dnr.ga.gov or sent via regular mail to: EPD Watershed Protection Branch, 2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr., Suite 1462, East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia, 30334. If you choose to e-mail your comments, please include the words "Watershed Protection

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Branch Draft Rule Amendments, Chapter 391-3-7” in the subject line to help ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff.

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