ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 15, 2021 DeKalb

Notice Issue Date City / County

March 16, 2021
Notice Close Date

BV-044-20-22
Control Number

South River Trail (GPS Coordinates: 33.716199, -84.344518)

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)}: (f)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

This project will utilize cutting, filling, and land clearing construct a multi-use concrete path through a 6.7-acre property to connect the Glen Emeralds Park neighborhoods closer to the Atlanta Beltline. Measures such as increased turbidity monitoring, soil specific fertilizer, a multi-trophic native riparian revegetation plan, and a total site design consisting of less than 50% impervious surface will help protect the creek from pollutants, erosion, and sedimentation during and after construction. This plan has been revised based on received public comments to reduce buffer encroachments, shorten and aesthetically modify a gabion structure, specified tree preservation measures, and increased stormwater management by way of drainage structures and angles. The revised proposed project will result in approximately 345 total linear feet (7,404 total square feet) of buffer disturbance lasting approximately 1 month (work outside the buffer to complete the path will last 12 months) located at Intrenchment Creek, near Custer Avenue, in the Upper Ocmulgee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. David Pelton

DeKalb County Public Works, Transportation Division

1950 West Exchange Place, 4th Floor

Tucker, GA 30084

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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