ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

October 27, 2020 Notice Issue Date

November 30, 2020 Notice Close Date McDuffie County City/County

BV-097-19-01 Control Number

<u>Thomson West Bypass-Northern Extension</u> <u>GPS Coordinates: 33.524, -82.527</u> 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, S.W. Suite 418 West Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Please contact Ms. Arnettia Murphy at (404) 656-4157 or e-mail <u>arnettia.murphy@dnr.ga.gov</u> 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 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, Georgia 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)}: <u>A & H</u>

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact 959 linear feet (29,624 ft²) of two unnamed tributaries and one open water that flows into Maddox Creek to construct the Thomson West Bypass from Three Points Rd. to East of SR 17 near the city of Thomson. Impacts to perennial stream four include 21 linear feet (381 ft²) for placement of riprap and Best-Management Practices (BMP's). Perennial stream five will be permanently re-routed for 496 linear feet (22,918 ft²) to flow parallel to the bypass with additional impacts for 262 linear feet (3,101 ft²) include placement of bmp's and clearing for slopes. The buffer of open water six will be impacted for 180 linear feet (3,224 ft²) by placement of bmp's and clearing for slopes.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:	Mr. David Crawley
	McDuffie County Manager
	210 Railroad St.
	Thomson, Georgia 30824

Summary of Rules Requirements for Variance Application:

The application for a variance must include an 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:

Peggy Chambers, Environmental Specialist EPD, Watershed Protection Branch NonPoint Source Program 2 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East Atlanta, Georgia 30334 Telephone: 404/651-8549 FAX: 404/651-8455