June 15, 2020

To Whom it May Concern

RE: Notification of Change to GA EPD’s Public Notice Announcement Procedures

The Board of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources adopted amendments to our Chapter 391-3-6 rules to comply with the federal NPDES: Applications and Program Updates rule, 84 FR 3324 (eff. 6/12/19). Those amendments incorporate electronic public notice procedures into the rules, and in the near future, the Watershed Protection Branch will begin to utilize an e-mail subscription-based service through the GovDelivery platform. Once the rule amendments have been approved by EPA, the Watershed Protection Branch will discontinue mailed notices regarding NPDES wastewater and stormwater permitting activities and will only use the GovDelivery system.

If you would like to subscribe for email notifications regarding NPDES wastewater and stormwater permitting activities, please send an email to Ms. Nicki Dorsey at andronicidorsey@dnr.ga.gov. In that email, please indicate the mailing address to which you currently receive these notices, and whether you will be accepting email notifications on behalf of a particular organization. Once your request is received, Ms. Dorsey will add your email address to a new email subscriber list for the Watershed Protection Branch’s “Permit-related Notices” subscription topic and will discontinue to send you mailed notices via U.S. Postal Service.

The Watershed Protection Branch intends to begin utilizing this new email subscription topic by the end of June. Those subscribed will begin to receive emails whenever a permit-related notices is posted to the Branch’s announcements website (https://epd.georgia.gov/watershed-protection-branch-public-announcements). In addition to NPDES wastewater and stormwater permitting activities, this topic will provide email notification to subscribers regarding permit-related public notices posted to the website related to land application systems, water withdrawals, pretreatment, State Environmental Review Process reviews of GEFA-funded projects, and permit-related public meetings or hearings.

If you have any questions or concerns about this notification, please contact Jennifer Welte at jennifer.welte@dnr.ga.gov or (404) 463-1694.

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Attachment
PUBLIC NOTICE
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE NO. 2020–11ML JUNE 15, 2020

I. NOTICE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (NPDES) PERMIT TO DISCHARGE TREATED WASTEWATER INTO WATERS OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

NPDES permits are valid for a maximum of five years. Prior to expiration of an existing permit, a new application must be submitted and evaluated.

An antidegradation analysis is conducted, as applicable, for new or expanded point source discharges that are proposed. The analysis evaluates whether allowing lower water quality is necessary to accommodate important economic or social development in the area in which the waters are located. In all cases, existing instream water uses and the level of water quality necessary to protect the existing use is maintained and protected.

All municipalities must be in compliance with the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Service Delivery Strategy in order to receive a permit.

Having reviewed such applications, the Environmental Protection Division (EPD) is considering the issuance of NPDES permits to the following applicants, subject to specific pollutant limitations and special conditions.

NPDES PERMIT REISSUANCE

Cobb County
Parker Fairway Villas, LLC, 49 Southwest Flagler Avenue, Suite 201, Stuart, Florida, 34994, NPDES Permit No. GA0026611, for the Parker Fairway Villas Water Pollution Control Plant located at 4725 North Cobb Parkway, Acworth, Georgia 30101. Up to 0.057 MGD of treated wastewater is being discharged to an Unnamed Tributary of Westbrook Creek in the Coosa River Basin.

NPDES PERMIT MODIFICATION

Rabun County
Department of Natural Resources – Wildlife Resources Division, 3695 Highway 197 North, Clarkesville, Georgia 30523, NPDES Permit No. GA0029840, for its trout production facility located at the Lake Burton Fish Hatchery, 3695 Highway 197 North, Clarkesville, Georgia 30523 in Rabun County. A maximum of 10.1 MGD of raceway cleaning flow and flow-through water is discharged to Moccasin Creek and Lake Burton in the Savannah River Basin. Previous permit outfalls 001a, 004, 005 will be removed and flows from these outfalls will be rerouted to the outfalls 001, 002, and 003. Outfalls 001, 002, and 003 will be relocated.

NPDES PERMIT TERMINATION

Cherokee County
J. M. Buice Properties, Inc., 325 Millbrook Trace, Marietta, Georgia, NPDES Permit No. GA0022292, for the Eastgate Mobile Home Community Water Pollution Control Plant located at 6310 Bells Ferry Road, Acworth, Georgia 30102 in Cherokee County. The facility has been taken off line and therefore is no longer discharging to waters of the State.
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Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations are invited to submit same in writing to the EPD address below or via e-mail at EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov, no later than July 15, 2020. Please use the words “Public Notice No. 2020-11ML” and the name of the subject facility that you are commenting on in the subject line to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the correct staff. All comments received prior to or on that date will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. In the case of the permits which are on this notice for proposed modification, only those conditions -subject to modification are open to public comment. In the case of the Industrial Pretreatment Program Approvals and Modifications comments are to be submitted to EPD no later than July 30, 2020. A public hearing may be requested or additional information regarding public hearing procedures is available by writing the EPD at the address noted below.

A fact sheet or copy of draft permits are available by writing the Environmental Protection Division. The permit application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are available for review at 2 MLK Jr. Dr. S.W., 1152 East Tower, Atlanta, Georgia 30334. For additional information contact: Audra Dickson, Wastewater Regulatory Program, phone (404) 463-1511. Please bring this notice to the attention of interested persons.