

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Notice Issue Date

Ringgold / Catoosa County
City / County

September 22, 2017
Notice Close Date

BV-023-17-02
Control Number

Ringgold High School and Ringgold Middle School – Softball and Baseball Fields
(29 Tiger Trail, Ringgold, GA 30736)
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. Jarell Singleton at (404) 463-2382 or email jarell.singleton@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-.11 (2)(a-k)}: (h)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project will consist of constructing new softball and baseball fields with the associated infrastructure (including parking and access drives) on approximately 6.45 acres at the Catoosa County public schools along Tiger Trail in Ringgold. This project will include an on-site stormwater management system (i.e., vegetated filter strip, grass channels and an Aqua-Swirl™ hydrodynamic separator). Construction activities (including the placement of two 48" Ø culvert pipes) will result in permanent buffer impacts to approximately 230 linear feet (11,500 square feet) of an unnamed perennial stream, a tributary to South Chickamauga Creek in the Middle Tennessee - Chickamauga Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mike Sholl, Director of Operations
Catoosa County Public Schools
P.O. Box 130
307 Cleveland Street
Ringgold, GA 30736

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:

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