

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Notice Issue Date

Catoosa County
City/County

January 22, 2018
Notice Close Date

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Control Number

CSX Transportation-Proposed Tunnel Hill Siding Extension
Mile Post OWA109.9 to OWA 106.7
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. Jarell Singleton at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail thais.edwards@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 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)}: A & H

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact a total of 385 linear feet (13,873 ft²) of stream buffer in three separate areas along East Chickamauga Creek and Tanyard Creek for the addition of a rail siding along the south/southwest side of the existing rail line. The purpose is to allow for storage of longer trains and increase the efficiency of train movement and freight transportation.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Matthew Adkins
Manager, Environmental Remediation
CSX Transportation, Inc.
351 Thornton Road
Suite 125
Lithia Springs, Georgia 30122

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:

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