ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 10, 2017 Notice Issue Date Clayton County City/County

March 11, 2017 Notice Close Date BV-031-17-01 Control Number

GDOT Project #STP00-0164-00(029) PI #721440 SR 54 ROAD WIDENING 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 immediately 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 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 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)}: Criteria 2 (a)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Application proposes to impact 242 linear feet (5,494 square feet) buffers to State Water C (unnamed tributary to Flint River) within Upper Flint River watershed for the. Disturbance activities will consist of clearing, placement of fill, new road embankment, installation of orange barrier fence and type C silt fence, installation of stormwater drainage outfall and placement of rip rap within the buffer. The project is the widening of State Route 54 from two to four lanes from just north of McDonough Rd in Fayette County to US 19/US 41/ Tara Boulevard in Clayton County for a distance of 5.5 miles.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Eric Duff
Georgia Department of Transportation
Office of Environmental Services
600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

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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