

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

November 8, 2017
Notice Issue Date

Columbia County
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December 8, 2017
Notice Close Date

BV-036-17-07
Control Number

Wellington Drive – Sewerage System Improvements
(Wellington Drive, Evans, GA 30809)
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. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2382 or email 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 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)}: (a) and (d)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project will consist of encasing an *existing* sewer line stream crossing in concrete and relocating an *existing* sewer line segment currently located along the streambank (exposed and susceptible to failure caused by significant erosion and scour of the stream channel and streambanks) and then stabilizing the stream. The proposed streambank stabilization will consist of grading the eroding streambanks and installing rock cross vanes to create a bankfull bench and scour pools and soil bioengineering practices (including coconut fiber rolls and live staking). The proposed project will result 317 linear feet total (2,508 square feet total) of buffer impacts along Mt. Enna Branch near Wellington Drive in the *Middle Savannah Watershed* in Columbia County.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Eric Hinds, Manager
Columbia County, Water Utility and Inspection Department
2140 William Few Parkway, Building A
Grovetown, GA 30813

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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