

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Notice Issue Date

DeKalb County  
City / County

August 9, 2017  
Notice Close Date

BV-044-17-08  
Control Number

Panola Shoals – South River Kayak Launch  
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 SW, Suite 418 West, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact Ms. Jarell Singleton at (404) 463-2382 or email [jarell.singleton@dnr.ga.gov](mailto: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)}: (a)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project will consist of constructing a new kayak launch along the South River Trail near the intersection of Snapfinger Road and Panola Road in DeKalb County. The kayak launch will be overlaid with a graded aggregate base (GAB) and graded to match an existing gravel road along the South River. Mitigation for the proposed buffer impacts will consist of planting native riparian trees (including Red Birch, Red Maple, Tulip Poplar and Willow Oaks) for approximately 172 linear feet along the existing gravel road and the proposed kayak launch. Activities will result in buffer impacts to approximately 114 linear feet (2,344 square feet) along the South River in the Upper Ocmulgee Watershed in DeKalb County.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Daniel Dart  
DeKalb County Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs  
3681 Chestnut Street  
Decatur, GA 30030

**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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