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-.05 (2)(a-k)}: (d)

The proposed project will consist of installing ± 2,310 linear feet of 10" Ø DIP and VCP sewer lines along Peachtree Battle Circle and Peachtree Battle Avenue (including an aerial sewer line crossing over Peachtree Creek), removing an existing aerial sewer line crossing over Peachtree Creek near Howell Mill Road and installing ± 260 linear feet of 8" Ø DIP sewer lines along Howell Mill Road. All streambanks will be returned to original grades (to the extent practicable) and stabilized with blankets and/or matting and permanent vegetation (including Silky Dogwood, American Elder and/or Black Willow live stake cuttings) and all open-cut trenches will be backfilled and compacted and restored to current conditions to the extent practicable. This project will result in approximately 75 linear feet total (3,485 square feet total) of buffer impacts along Peachtree Creek in the Upper Chattahoochee Watershed.

**Name and Address of Permit Applicant:** Reginald Crayton
City of Atlanta
Department of Watershed Management
72 Marietta Street NW
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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:   Frank M. Carubba, Environmental Engineer
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