

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

January 8, 2018
Notice Issue Date

Gordon County
City/County

February 7, 2018
Notice Close Date

BV-064-17-03
Control Number

CSX-Elrod Siding Extension
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. Thais Edwards 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)}: H

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact 158 linear feet (13,702 ft²) of stream and buffer along one unnamed tributary to the Conasauga River to construct a railroad siding extension. Buffer impacts include embankment fill and relocation of the channel to construct the rail siding along the western side of the existing railroad embankment and within the existing CSXT right-of-way. The project will allow for storage of longer trains as well as promote increased efficiency of train movement and freight transportation. The project is located to the north and east of Resaca between CSXT Milepost OWA 83.8 and OWA 87.3

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Matthew Adkins
CSX Transportation, Inc.
351 Thornton Rd.
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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