

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Notice Issue Date

Buford / Gwinnett County and Hall County
City / County

July 29, 2019
Notice Close Date

BV-067-19-08
Control Number

Taylor & Mathis Properties V, LLC – Friendship Road Distribution Center
(Friendship Road / Interstate 985 (I-985), Buford, GA 30519)
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. Clara Davis at (404) 463-2382 or email clara.davis@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)}: (h)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project will consist of constructing a new distribution center with four high-cube warehouse buildings and associated infrastructure on approximately 87.4 acres in the southeast quadrant of the Friendship Road and Interstate 985 (I-985) interchange in Buford. This project will include an on-site stormwater management system (including three wet detention basins and a *Hydro International Downstream Defender*[®] vortex separator). Construction activities will result in 1,561 linear feet total (84,457 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along three unnamed intermittent streams, tributaries to Suwanee Creek in the *Upper Chattahoochee Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mike Irby
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Taylor & Mathis Properties V, LLC
400 Interstate North Parkway, Suite 850
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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:

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