

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
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PI #0000425

NEW INTERCHANGE ON I-985 NORTH OF SR13 CROSSOVER NEAR MARTIN ROAD
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, S.W. Suite 418 West Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Please contact Ms. Jarell Singleton at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail 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 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)}: (a),(h)and (k)(2)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Application proposes to impact buffers totaling 1,228 linear feet (30,054 sf) for a new Interchange on I-985 and SR13 near Martin road. The Project will impact 6 perennial streams and 3 intermittent streams (all are tributaries of Mud Creek) within the Upper Chattahoochee River Watershed. The impacts are necessary for temporary construction and installation of ramps or walls, grading activities to achieve proper roadside slope and drainage and space to allow for the installation of erosion and sedimentation control best management practices (BMPs) and orange barrier fence (OBF). The site is located along I-985 between the Mundy Mill and Spout Springs Road exits and would connect Martin Road on the east with H.F. Reed Industrial Parkway on the west in unincorporated Hall County with portions of project falling within the cities of Flowery Branch and Oakwood.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Eric Duff
Georgia Department of Transportation
Office of Environmental Services
600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

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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