

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

August 10, 2016
Notice Issue Date

City of Commerce
City/County

September 9, 2016
Notice Close Date

BV-078-16-02
Control Number

Hills Recreation Lake Dam Breach
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. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2387 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)}: A

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact a total of 175 linear feet (20,050 ft²) of stream buffer along Crooked Creek to breach a Category 1 high hazard dam and create an upland disposal site outside the stream buffer for the excavated dam material. The dam will be breached to comply with the Georgia Safe Dams Act, and upon completion of disturbance, slopes will be re-vegetated. The project has a total project disturbed acreage 1.5-acres and is located on Ridgeway Church Road.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Paul Stack
RIDGEWAY OSP1, LLC
1266 West Paces Ferry Road #181
Atlanta, Georgia 30327

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: Peggy Chambers, Environmental Specialist
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