

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

April 15, 2019  
Notice Issue Date

Jackson County  
City/County

May 15, 2019  
Notice Close Date

BV-078-19-01  
Control Number

Big Sandy Creek Mitigation Bank-Streambank Restoration  
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. Clara Davis at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail [clara.davis@dnr.ga.gov](mailto: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 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)}:  B

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact 19,476 linear feet (973,800 ft<sup>2</sup>) of stream buffer along Sandy Creek and five unnamed tributaries to perform stream restoration activities. The sections of stream will be restored through a combination of Rosgen Priority Level I and II approaches to restore the bed, bank, and profile of the streams. Upon completion of land-disturbance, the streambanks will be restored with a native riparian canopy of live stakes and seed mix in accordance with the submitted plan. The project site is located on Cooper Farm Rd. 1.6-mi. east of the intersection of Cooper Farm Rd. (CR422) and Hwy. 441

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Robin Loudermilk  
Terra Aqua, LLC  
309 East Paces Ferry Rd.  
Suite 500  
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

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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