## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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April 18, 2019 Notice Close Date Jefferson County City/County

BV-081-19-01 Control Number

## <u>GDOT Project EDS00-0545-00(029)</u> <u>PI #222120</u> Widening and Reconstruction of SR 4/ US 1 from the Wadley Bypass to Louisville Bypass 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. Clara Davis at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail <u>clara.davis@dnr.ga.gov</u> 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: <u>Program Manager, NonPoint Source Program, Erosion and Sedimentation Control, 2 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.</u>

| Type of Permit Application: | Variance to encroach within the 25-foot State waters buffer.  |
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| 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)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity: The proposed project would impact buffers to two Perennial Streams (PS) and one Open Water (OW) for the widening and reconstruction of State Route (SR) 4/ US 1 in Jefferson County. The project would impact the 25-foot state mandated buffer of perennial streams and an open water source within the Upper Ogeechee watershed. Disturbance activities would consist of clearing and grubbing and placement of Orange Barrier Fence (OBF). The proposed widening project runs from the beginning of the alignment north of Wadley at County Road (CR) 183 to north of CR 326/Nimrod Road.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Eric Duff Georgia Department of Transportation Office of Environmental Services 600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16<sup>th</sup> 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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