

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

May 25, 2018  
Notice Issue Date

Chatham County  
City/County

June 25, 2018  
Notice Close Date

CMV-025-18-01  
Control Number

Savannah Harbor Expansion Project (SHEP)  
Inner Harbor Dredging/Embankment reshaping and armoring  
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. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail [Thais.edwards@dnr.ga.gov](mailto: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 {391-3-7.11(2)(A-K)}:   A  

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact a total of 3,291 linear feet (81,666 ft<sup>2</sup>) of coastal marshland buffer to relocate/reshape and armor the existing embankment in two separate areas along the Savannah River within the Kings Island Turning Basin. The Turning Basin expansions will increase the width dimension by 75 feet to accommodate a 1600 feet diameter turning basin for larger ships navigating to Savannah Harbor. The newly-shaped riverbank will be hard armored with riprap to prevent additional erosion due to wave action from large vessels. Project site is on King's Island across the Savannah River from the Georgia Ports Authority.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Ms. Robin Armetta  
U. S. Army Corps of Engineers  
100 W. Oglethorpe Ave.  
Savannah, Georgia 31401

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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