ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

<u>June 14, 2018</u> Advisory Issue Date

July 14, 2018 Advisory Close Date <u>Savannah/Chatham County</u> City/County

CMV-025-18-02 Control Number

<u>Causton Bluff POA - Bank Stabilization</u> (Saint Augustine Bend, Savannah, Georgia 31404) 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 <u>thais.edwards@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</u> Control, 2 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

| Type of Permit Application: | Variance to encroach within the 25-foot Coastal Marshlands 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 $\{391-3-7.11 (2)(a-k)\}$: <u>a</u>

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed streambank stabilization project will consist of grading the eroded bank and placement of backfill, a clay cap, filter fabric and riprap. Temporary impacts involve clearing/disturbance of the buffer for access to the eroded bank. All temporarily disturbed areas will be restored to existing conditions to the extent practicable. The proposed project will result in buffer impacts to 109 linear feet (3,691 square feet) along coastal marshlands (adjacent to the Wilmington River) in the *Lower Savannah Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

<u>Mr. Al Kritter</u> <u>Causton Bluff POA</u> <u>35 Bartow Point Drive</u> <u>Savannah, Georgia 31404</u> 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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