ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Cherokee County
City/County

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<u>McGraw – Mosteller Transmission Line Stream Restoration</u> 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 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 50-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 proposed stream restoration project will consist of restoring and stabilizing the stream channel and banks to prevent further instability and soil erosion. Construction activities will include grading the slopes, installing grade stabilization structures, and planting along the stream banks. The 50-foot buffers will be revegetated with herbaceous and scrub/shrub species to the extent practicable. The proposed project will result in a total of 295 linear feet (27,878.4 square feet) of buffer impacts along an unnamed perennial stream and two ephemeral streams (tributary to Salacoa Creek) in the *Coosawattee Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Scott Hendricks, Manager
Watershed and Natural Resources Permitting
Georgia Power
241 Ralph McGill Boulevard NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30308-3374

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: Sophia Grant-Branklyn, Environmental Specialist

EPD, Watershed Protection Branch

NonPoint Source Program

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