

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

July 26, 2016  
Notice Issue Date

White County  
City/County

August 25, 2016  
Notice Close Date

TSV-154-16-01  
Control Number

Carolina Springs Road Improvements-Widening and Paving  
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. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2387 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 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)}:   A  

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact a total of 3,320 linear feet (117,127 ft<sup>2</sup>) of stream buffer along an unnamed tributary of Dukes Creek to conduct road improvements on Carolina Springs Rd. Improvements will run from Black Bear Lodge to Duncan Bridge Rd. The rural gravel road is currently between 12 to 18' wide and will be widened to two 9-foot travel lanes and paved. The project site is located off of Helen Highway.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Michael J. Melton  
White County Board of Commissioners  
1235 Helen Highway  
Cleveland, Georgia 30528

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: Peggy Chambers, Environmental Specialist  
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