## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

October 7, 2022 Notice Issue Date

November 7, 2022 Notice Close Date Alpharetta/Fulton County City / County

BV-060-22-15 Control Number

Big Creek Greenway Boardwalk (GPS Coordinates: 34.0374, -84.3041)

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 File Room, 2 MLK Jr. Drive, SW, West Tower, Balcony, Suite 418, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact GORArequest.Water@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. Comments may be submitted via e-mail to: EPDcomments@dnr.ga.gov. Comments may also be provided in writing to: Program Manager, Nonpoint Source Program, Erosion and Sedimentation Control, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW, Suite 1452 East, Atlanta, GA 30334. The words "Buffer Variance Comment", including the Control Number shown above, should be placed in the e-mail subject line (if sent via e-mail) or on the top of the first page of written comments to ensure that your comments will be forwarded to the appropriate staff.

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  $\{391-3-7-.05(2)(a-k)\}$ : (f)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact 1033 linear feet (4,884 square feet) of stream buffer along Big Creek. The boardwalk repair will remove the old boardwalk and replace with new boardwalk construction. The impact will maintain much of the existing vegetation and plant native riparian vegetation where necessary. The project is located east of the Beaver Creek Road and Mansell Road intersection along Big Creek in the Upper Chattahoochee Watershed (03130001).

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Ms. Pamela Bush, P.E. Public Works City of Alpharetta 1790 Hembree Road Alpharetta, GA 30009

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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