ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

March 29, 2023
Notice Issue Date
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April 28, 2023 TSV-119-23-01
Notice Close Date Control Number

<u>Scott Creek Sewer Rehabilitation</u> (GPS Coordinates: 34.876611, -83.405336)

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 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)}: (d)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed sewer rehabilitation and restoration plans consist of replacement of gravity sewer main as well as improvement of aerial stream crossings that lie adjacent to and/or intersect Scott Creek and an unnamed tributary. Land disturbing activities include open-cut installations of the sewer main, stream crossings, and manholes. The proposed project will result in an approximate total of 1,284 linear feet (55,820 square feet total) of buffer impacts along Scott Creek on Shadyside Drive in the Tugaloo Watershed (03060102). The buffer will be revegetated with native riparian species upon the completion of this project.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: <u>Jason Waldroup</u>

City of Clayton

837 Highway 76 West Clayton, GA 30525

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: Madison McCrary

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