

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Control Number

Oconee River Greenway Authority – Streambank Stabilization
(Oconee Riverfront Park and Greenway, Milledgeville, GA)
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 SW, Suite 418 West, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact Ms. Jarell Singleton at (404) 463-2382 or email jarell.singleton@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 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SW, Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, GA 30334.

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-.11 (2)(a-k)}: (a)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed streambank stabilization project will consist of grading the eroding streambank to a more stable slope and integrated bio-engineering practices (including vegetated geogrids (i.e., soil lifts) with live stake cuttings and rooted seedlings and a rock fill foundation) along the Oconee River in the Oconee Riverfront Park and Greenway in Milledgeville. This project will result in 160 linear feet (3,840 square feet) of buffer disturbances along the Oconee River near Buzzard Island in the *Lower Oconee Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Marion Nelson, Chairman
Oconee River Greenway Authority Board
201 East Greene Street
GMC – Box 150
Milledgeville, GA 31061

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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