

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Advisory Issue Date

Macon-Bibb County
City / County

January 11, 2016
Advisory Close Date

BV-011-15-04
Control Number

Filmore Thomas Park – Streambank Stabilization and Restoration
(Log Cabin Drive, Macon, GA 31204)
Activity

This advisory 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. 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, Atlanta, Georgia 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 {391-3-7.05 (2)(a-k)}: (a)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Macon-Bibb County is proposing to construct Filmore Thomas Park, a new community park, with associated infrastructure on approximately 9.0 acres along Log Cabin Drive in Macon. The proposed streambank stabilization and restoration project will consist of grading the eroding streambanks to a more stable slope (2H:1V – 3H:1V), Arrowwood and Red Osier Dogwood live stake cuttings, and native riparian vegetation (i.e., grasses, 143 shrubs and 35 trees) along an unnamed perennial stream. This project will result in 760 linear feet (20,909 square feet) of buffer impacts along an unnamed tributary to Rocky Creek in the Upper Ocmulgee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Honorable Robert A. B. Reichert
Mayor, Macon-Bibb County
700 Poplar Street
Macon, GA 31204

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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