

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

October 6, 2015
Advisory Issue Date

Athens-Clarke
City/County

November 5, 2015
Advisory Close Date

BV-029-15-02
Control Number

North Oconee Greenway Extension
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 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, Atlanta, Georgia 30354

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-J)}: F

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact a total of 1,870 linear feet (28,22Tr6ft²) of stream buffer along the North Oconee River in six different areas to construct a 10-14 foot-wide multi-use path with 4 foot-wide graded shoulders on each side. The trail is proposed to be an extension to the existing Greenway toward a destination overlook near the historic Athens Factory Site and the Oconee Hill Cemetery along an existing sanitary sewer easement. Project is located on the left side of Oak St. (Exit 8) approx. 500' inside the Athens perimeter.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

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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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