

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

January 21, 2019  
Notice Issue Date

Athens/Clarke County  
City/County

February 20, 2019  
Notice Close Date

BV-029-18-03  
Control Number

Upper North Oconee Phase 2B-Sewer Trunk Replacement/Upgrades  
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 200 Piedmont Avenue, S.W. Suite 418 West Atlanta, Georgia 30334. Please contact Ms. Clara Davis at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail [clara.davis@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:clara.davis@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 MLK Jr., Dr., SW Suite 1462 East, 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)}:  D

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The applicant proposes to impact 968 linear feet (16,613 ft<sup>2</sup>) of stream buffer along the Upper North Oconee River and two unnamed tributaries to upgrade/replace the sewer trunkline system. Buffer impacts include removal of 2-18" DIP above ground sewer lines and pedestals, removal of 15", 18", and 36" DIP, removal of 2-36" DIP aerial crossings, piles and pipe supports, and removal of existing manholes, installation of a 4' DIA manhole, and an 8' DIA manhole. Project begins along the west bank of the North Oconee River from Maxey Blvd. under the 10 Loop to the J.G. Beacham Water Treatment Plant (WTP).

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Glenn Coleman  
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Athens-Clarke County Public Utilities Department  
124 E. Hancock Ave.  
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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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