

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

August 26, 2015
Advisory Issue Date

Forsyth County
City / County

September 25, 2015
Advisory Close Date

BV-058-15-03
Control Number

Stratford Hills – Single-Family Residential Development
Dam Rehabilitations and Gravity Sanitary Sewer Line Extension
(8485 Matt Highway, Ball Ground, GA 30107)
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) and (d)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project involves the rehabilitation of two existing earthen dams and the extension of an existing gravity sewer line in a planned single-family residential development along Matt Highway in Forsyth County. The project will consist of re-grading and stabilizing the dams and replacing the existing drain pipes to comply with the requirement of the Georgia Safe Dams Act and the Georgia Stormwater Management Manual. Activities will result in buffer impacts to 711 linear feet total (22,852 square feet total) along unnamed tributaries to the Etowah River in the Etowah Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Randy Allen
Sunbelt Land Management, LLC
3129 Springbank Lane
Charlotte, NC 28226

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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