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 SW, Suite 418 West, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact Ms. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2382 or email thais.edwards@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-.05 (2)(a-k)}: (c) and (e)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed single-family residence will be located on approximately 4.3 acres along Providence Road in Milton adjacent to a 1.25 acre pond. The proposed project will consist of upgrading the existing gravel driveway across the dam to comply with the minimum fire safety standards for new construction and installing utility lines along the driveway. Construction activities will include re-grading the earthen dam and installing a new double arch culvert. The buffer will be restored to current conditions to the extent practicable. The proposed project will result in approximately 238 linear feet total (6,324 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along an unnamed pond, a tributary to Cooper Sandy Creek in the Etowah Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Matt Jones
471 Roy Lee Terrace
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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: Frank M. Carubba, Environmental Engineer  
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