ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Mitchell County
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<u>Jackson Farms Mitigation Site-Streambank Restoration Activity</u> 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. Thais Edwards at (404) 463-2382 or e-mail 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 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)}: B

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Applicant proposes to impact 10,885 linear feet (544,250 ft2) of stream and buffer along four unnamed tributaries to Big Creek to perform stream restoration activities within the proposed U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jackson Farms Compensatory Mitigation Site. The channels will be re-constructed using natural channel design and bioengineering techniques to improve the pattern, plan and profile of the channels as well as reduce sediment and erosion into the stream and increase biological habitat and promote water quality. The project is located on Big Creek Rd. off US-19N.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Mr. Trey Evans

Jackson Farms Holdings, LLC

931 Monroe Dr. NE Suite A-102 #302 Atlanta 30308

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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