

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

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Advisory Issue Date

Pulaski County
City/County

May 19, 2016
Advisory Close Date

BV-116-16-01
Control Number

GDOT Project CSBRG-0007-00(050)
PI 0007050
SR 26 at Ocmulgee River Bridge Replacements
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. S.W., 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, h

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

Application proposes to impact 157 linear feet (5,144 square feet) of buffer to one perennial stream and one open water pond (tributaries to the Ocmulgee River) for the removal and replacement of two structurally deficient bridges on SR 26 over the Ocmulgee River. Disturbance activities consist of clearing, fill and grading, silt fence installation, and activities associated with the construction of a drainage ditch. Project on SR 26 begins west of Houston St and ends west of Hartford Rd in Pulaski County.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Eric Duff
Georgia Department of Transportation
Office of Environmental Services
600 W. Peachtree Street, NW, 16th Floor
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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:

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