ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION PUBLIC NOTICE WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

February 5, 2019 <u>LaGrange / Troup County</u>

Notice Issue Date City / County

March 7, 2019
Notice Close Date
BV-141-18-02
Control Number

<u>City of LaGrange – The Thread (Multi-Use Trail) – Phase 4 – Callaway Property</u>
(Country Club Road, LaGrange, GA 30240)
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 SW, Suite 418 West, Atlanta, GA 30334. Please contact Ms. Clara Davis at (404) 463-2382 or email 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 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)}: (f)

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project will consist of constructing a 12-ft wide, concrete, multi-use trail (including 296 linear feet of boardwalk) beginning at Westwood Drive for approximately 0.47 miles along Country Club Road towards Cherokee Road in LaGrange. Mitigation for the permanent buffer impacts will consist of planting multi-trophic, native riparian vegetation (1,830 square feet total including Possum Haw, Pawpaw and Flowering Dogwood trees and Silky Dogwood, Spice Bush, Swamp Haw, American Elder and Buttonbush). Construction activities will result in 300 linear feet total (1,830 square feet total) of buffer disturbances along an unnamed perennial stream, a tributary to Piney Woods Lake in the *Middle Chattahoochee – Lard Harding Watershed*.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant: Leigh Threadgill, Senior Planner

City of LaGrange, Department of Community Development

200 Ridley Avenue LaGrange, GA 30240 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

EPD Watershed Protection Branch

NonPoint Source Program

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