



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION

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RE: Comments Received for
City of Gainesville – Flat Creek
Water Pollution Control Plant (WPCP)
NPDES Permit No. GA0021156
(Hall County)

Dear Mr. Ulseth:

Thank you for your comments regarding the permit issuance for the City of Gainesville – Flat Creek Water Pollution Control Plant. Attached is a summary of your comments and our responses to the issues raised. In addition, we have attached a fact sheet addendum which documents changes (if any) in the attached permit. We appreciate your interest in this matter.

After consideration of your comments, EPD has determined that the permit is protective of water quality standards and we have issued the permit.

If you have any questions, please contact Benoit Causse of my staff at 404-463-4958 or benoit.causse@dnr.ga.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey Larson", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jeffrey Larson, Assistant Branch Chief
Watershed Protection Branch

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Attachment: Response to Comments

ATTACHMENT – Public Comments and EPD Responses
City of Gainesville – Flat Creek Water Pollution Control Plant
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1. **Comment:** The Chattahoochee Riverkeeper (Riverkeeper) urges the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (GA EPD) to add a provision to the permit stating that the permit will be reopened within 18 months of the adoption of the final TMDL to incorporate additional requirements for the facility to ensure water quality standards are met.

Response: GA EPD agrees that once a TMDL is finalized and approved by EPA, permits will be re-opened or modified as needed to be consistent with the TMDL. Language has been included in the permit to ensure the permit is reopened to incorporate additional requirements in the TMDL.