

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION  
PUBLIC ADVISORY  
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

January 7, 2016  
Advisory Issue Date

/Cobb  
City/County

February 8, 2015  
Advisory Close Date

BV-033-15-22  
Control Number

Cato Lake Dam Renovations  
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 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, S.W., Suite 1456, 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

Description and Location of Proposed Activity:

The proposed project involves buffer encroachments necessary to renovate an existing dam. The project will replace an existing partially collapsed riser with a 48-inch diameter concrete standpipe tied into a 30-inch ductile iron outlet pipe with a grated lake drain and debris deflector. All trees will be removed and the dam will be re-graded to a 3:1 slope. The project is located near Austell Road in Cobb County and will result in 177 linear feet of buffer impacts along an unnamed tributary to Sweetwater Creek.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. Tom Bills  
Cobb County Parks Department  
1772 County Services Parkway  
Marietta, Georgia 30008

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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