

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
PUBLIC ADVISORY
WATERSHED PROTECTION BRANCH

October 16, 2015
Advisory Issue Date

Gilmer County
City / County

November 16, 2015
Advisory Close Date

TSV-061-15-02
Control Number

Pond Maintenance – Brown Estate (Land Lot 28, 11th District, 2nd Section)
(Violet Lane – GA Highway 54 (Chatsworth Highway), Ellijay, GA 30540)
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 SW, Suite 1462, Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

Type of PermitApplication: Variance to encroach within the 50-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 the maintenance of an existing pond adjacent to Cox Creek along GA Highway 54 (Chatsworth Highway) in Gilmer County. This project will consist of dredging the pond and adding fill material to the existing breach along the pond bank. The buffer vegetation will be restored to current existing conditions (i.e., fescue sod). Activities will result in temporary buffer impacts to 190 linear feet total (3,244 square feet total) along an unnamed pond discharging to Cox Creek, a tributary to the Ellijay River in the Coosawattee Watershed.

Name and Address of Permit Applicant:

Mr. John J. Hall
110 Mill Stone Drive
Calhoun, GA 30701

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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